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**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT**

Type of Survey: Navigable Area

Registry Number: H12374

**LOCALITY**

State: Alaska

General Locality: Chatham Strait

Sub-locality: 3 NM E of Point Conclusion

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**HYDROGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET**

**H12374**

INSTRUCTIONS: The Hydrographic Sheet should be accompanied by this form, filled in as completely as possible, when the sheet is forwarded to the Office.

State: **Alaska**

General Locality: **Chatham Strait**

Sub-Locality: **3 NM E of Point Conclusion**

Scale: **10000**

Dates of Survey: **09/25/2011 to 10/08/2011**

Instructions Dated: **08/19/2011**

Project Number: **OPR-O322-FA-11**

Field Unit: **NOAA Ship *Fairweather***

Chief of Party: **CAPT David O. Neander, NOAA**

Soundings by: **Multibeam Echo Sounder**

Imagery by: **Multibeam Echo Sounder Backscatter**

Verification by: **Pacific Hydrographic Branch**

Soundings Acquired in: **Meters at Mean Lower Low Water**

HCell Compilation Units: ***Fathoms at Mean Lower Low Water***

Remarks:

*The purpose of this survey is to provide contemporary surveys to update National Ocean Service (NOS) nautical charts. All separates are filed with the hydrographic data. Revisions and Rednotes were generated during office processing. The processing branch concurs with all information and recommendations in the DR unless otherwise noted. Page numbering may be interrupted or non-sequential. All pertinent records for this survey, including the Descriptive Report, are archived at the National Geophysical Data Center (NGDC) and can be retrieved via <http://www.ngdc.noaa.gov/>.*

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## Descriptive Report to Accompany Survey H12374

Project: OPR-O322-FA-11

Locality: Chatham Strait

Sublocality: 3 NM E of Point Conclusion

Scale: 1:10000

September 2011 - October 2011

**NOAA Ship *Fairweather***

Chief of Party: CAPT David O. Neander, NOAA

### A. Area Surveyed

The survey area is mid channel of Chatham Strait 3NM E of Point Conclusion.

#### A.1 Survey Limits

Data was acquired within the following survey limits:

Northeast Limit	Southwest Limit
56.375 N 134.4568 W	56.16617 N 134.621 W

*Table 1: Survey Limits*

Survey Limits were acquired in accordance with the requirements in the Project Instructions and the HSSD.

#### A.2 Survey Purpose

The purpose of this survey is to provide a contemporary survey to update National Ocean Service (NOS) nautical charting products. It covers 61.77 square nautical miles of an emerging critical and category one area as identified in the 2010 Hydrographic Survey Priorities (NHSP).

#### A.3 Survey Quality

The entire survey is adequate to supersede previous data.

## A.4 Survey Coverage

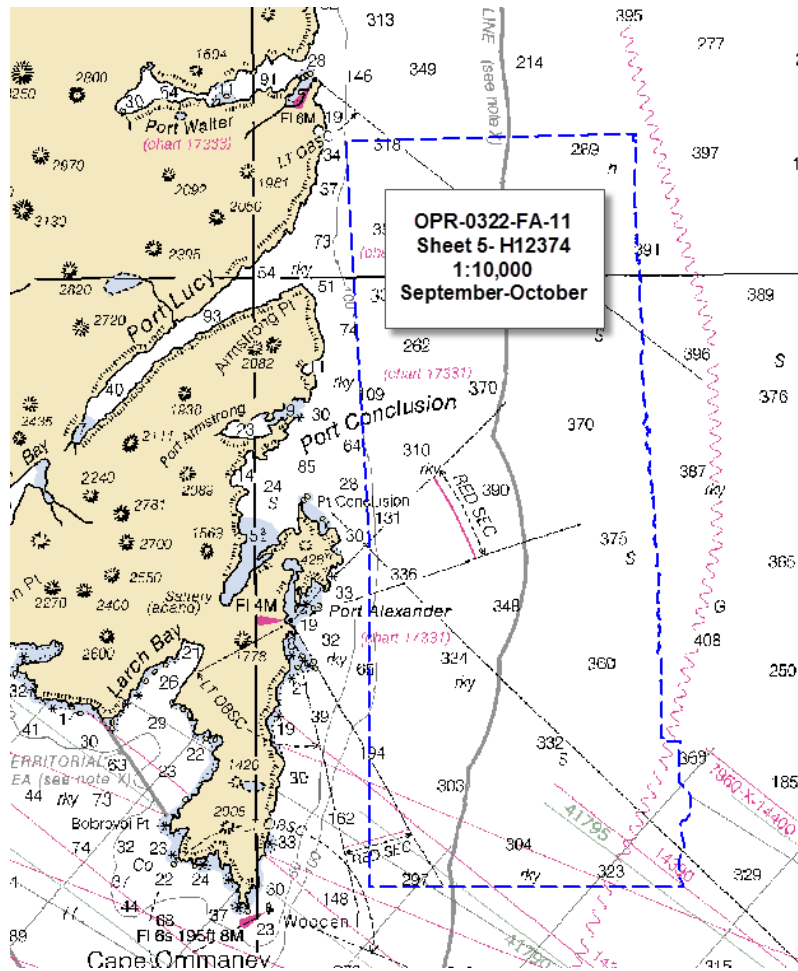


Figure 1: H12374 Survey Outline

Survey Coverage was in accordance with the requirements in the Project Instructions and the HSSD.

## A.5 Survey Statistics

The following table lists the mainscheme and crossline acquisition mileage for this survey:

	<b>HULL ID</b>	<b><i>S220</i></b>	<b><i>Total</i></b>
<b>LNM</b>	<b>SBES Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>MBES Mainscheme</b>	141.92	141.92
	<b>Lidar Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>SSS Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>SBES/MBES Combo Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>SBES/SSS Combo Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>MBES/SSS Combo Mainscheme</b>	0	0
	<b>SBES/MBES Combo Crosslines</b>	12.55	12.55
	<b>Lidar Crosslines</b>	0	0
	<b>Number of Bottom Samples</b>		
<b>Number of DPs</b>			0
<b>Number of Items Items Investigated by Dive Ops</b>			0
<b>Total Number of SNM</b>			0

*Table 2: Hydrographic Survey Statistics*

The following table lists the specific dates of data acquisition for this survey:

<b><i>Survey Dates</i></b>
09/25/2011
09/26/2011
09/30/2011
10/04/2011
10/07/2011
10/08/2011

*Table 3: Dates of Hydrography*



## **A.6 Shoreline**

No shoreline existed within the limits of H12374.

## **A.7 Bottom Samples**

No bottom samples were collected within the limits of H12374.

# **B. Data Acquisition and Processing**

## **B.1 Equipment and Vessels**

Refer to the Data Acquisition and Processing Report (DAPR) for a complete description of data acquisition and processing systems, survey vessels, quality control procedures and data processing methods. Additional information to supplement sounding and survey data, and any deviations from the DAPR are discussed in the following sections.

### **B.1.1 Vessels**

The following vessels were used for data acquisition during this survey:

<b>Hull ID</b>	<i>S220</i>
<b>LOA</b>	70.4 meters
<b>Draft</b>	4.7 meters

*Table 4: Vessels Used*

## B.1.2 Equipment

The following major systems were used for data acquisition during this survey:

<b>Manufacturer</b>	<b>Model</b>	<b>Type</b>
RESON	8160	MBES
Brooke Ocean	MVP200	Sound Speed System
RESON	SVP70	Sound Speed System
Applanix	POS/MV V4	Vessel Attitude System
Applanix	POS/MV V4	Positioning System

*Table 5: Major Systems Used*

## B.2 Quality Control

### B.2.1 Crosslines

Surface differencing in CARIS HIPS and SIPS was used to assess crossline agreement with main scheme lines. Percentage of crosslines collected to main scheme lines is 8.8%. Differences in crosslines to main scheme lines are believed to be caused by sound velocity and change in slope. Generally the greatest differences in depth was found in areas where the change of slope is more abrupt. See figure 2 for the location of greatest consistent change in depth of approximately 91m, located on a slope where the depth changes from approximately 200 to 600 meters.

The surface difference is submitted in Separates\Digital data folder. See figure 2 for graphical representation of variances between crosslines and main scheme and figure 3 for statistical information.

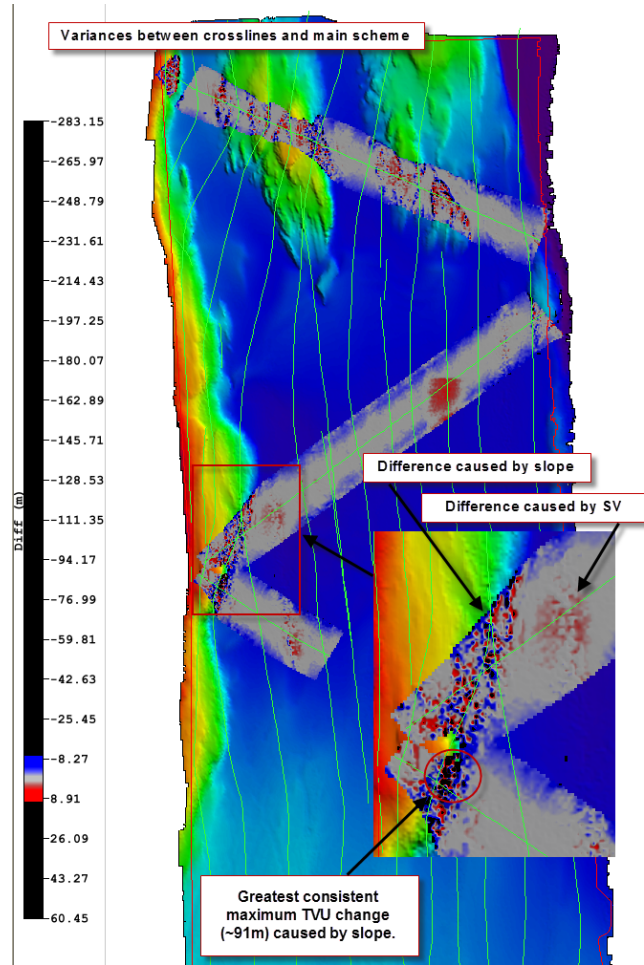


Figure 2: Graphical representation of differences between crossline and main scheme surfaces.

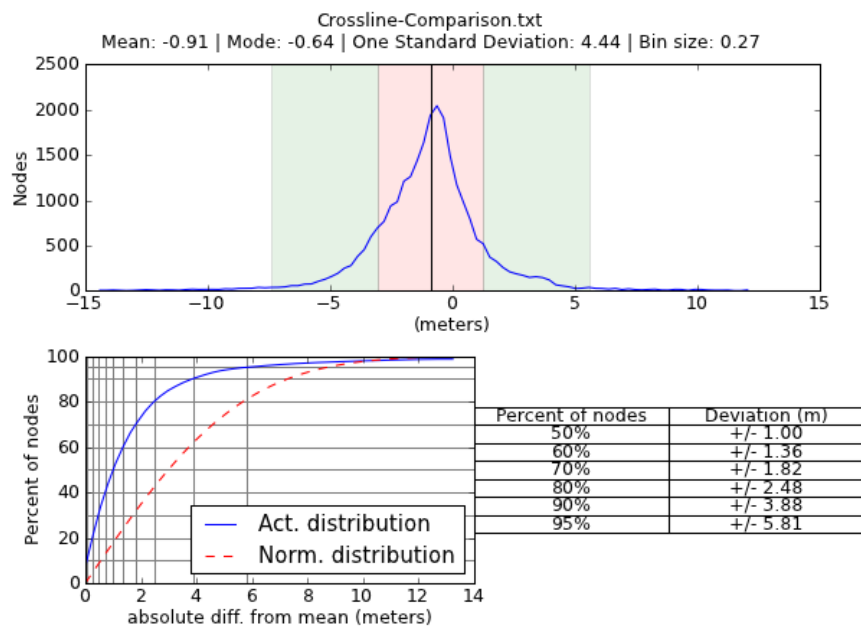


Figure 3: Statistical information for differences between crossline and main scheme.

**Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the crossline to mainscheme comparison are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.**

### B.2.2 Uncertainty

The following survey specific parameters were used for this survey:

Measured	Zoning
0.01	0.1

Table 6: Survey Specific Tide TPU Values

Hull ID	Measured - CTD	Measured - MVP	Surface
S220	0.5	0.5	0.5

Table 7: Survey Specific Sound Speed TPU Values

**Tide TPU values are in meters; SVP TPU values are in meters per second.**

### B.2.3 Junctions

The following junctions were made with this survey:

Registry Number	Scale	Year	Field Unit	Relative Location
H12373	1:10000	2011	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER	N
H11917	1:20000	2008	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER	E
H12064	1:20000	2010	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER	E
H12372	1:10000	2011	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER	W
H12371	1:10000	2011	NOAA Ship FAIRWEATHER	N

Table 8: Junctioning Surveys

### H12373

The areas of overlap between the sheets are reviewed in CARIS Subset Editor for sounding consistency to assess surface agreement. The junction agreement is generally within the total allowable vertical uncertainty in their common areas and depths for all surfaces. Data overlap between all surveys was achieved except for junction between H12374 and H11917. See figure 4 for planned areas of overlap.

Surface differencing in CARIS HIPS and SIPS was used to assess junction agreement between all sheets for sounding consistency to assess surface agreement as well. Differences in junctions are believed to be caused by sounding velocity and change in slope which can be found in all junctions.

See figure 5 for a graphical representation of junction comparison variances between H12374 32m\_Combine surface and H12373 32m\_Combine surface and figure 6 for statistical information between surfaces.

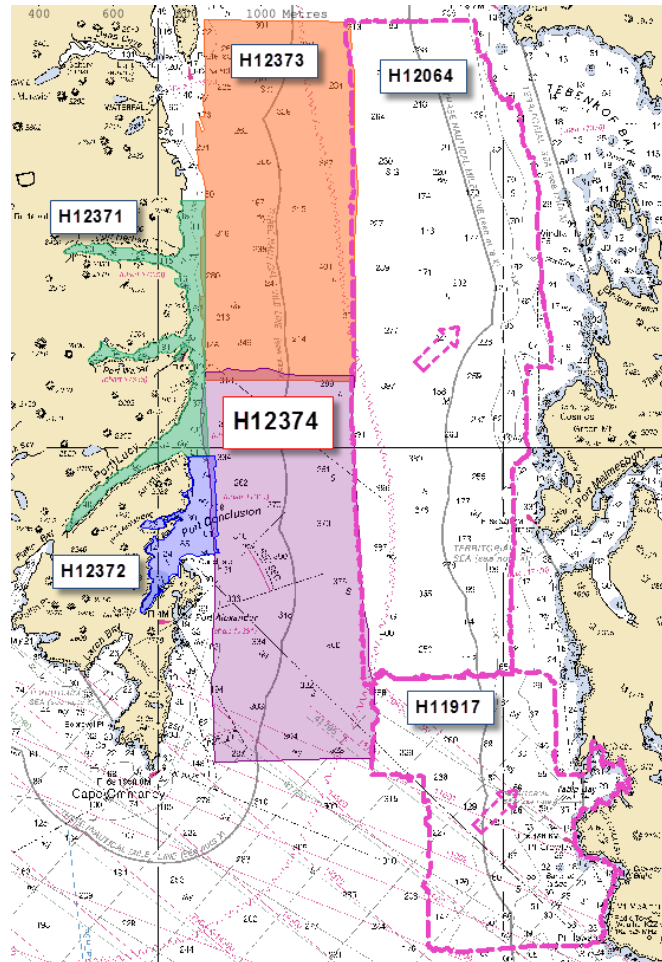


Figure 4: Junctions between H12373, H12371, H12372, H11917 and H12064.

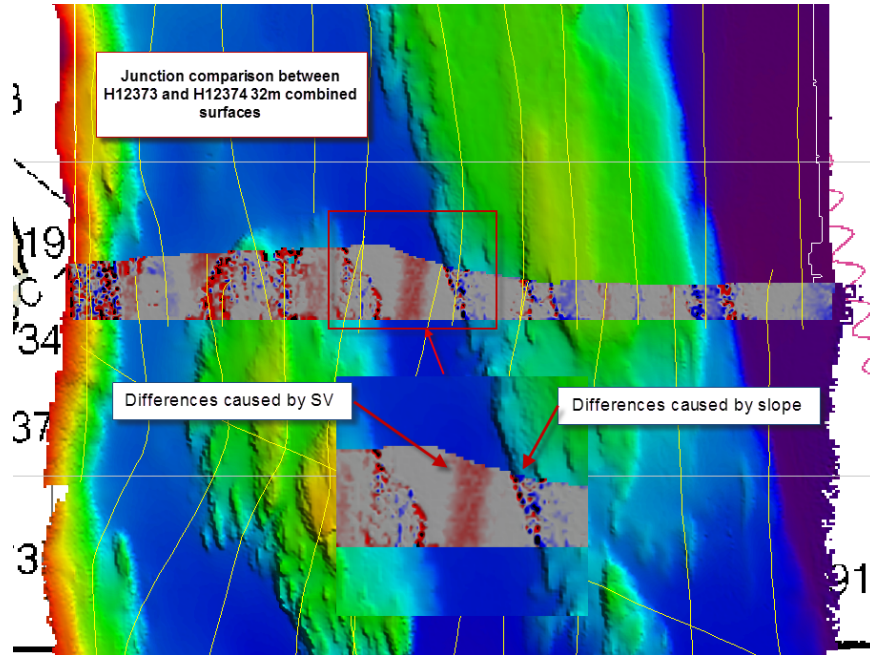


Figure 5: Graphical representation between H12374 and H12373.

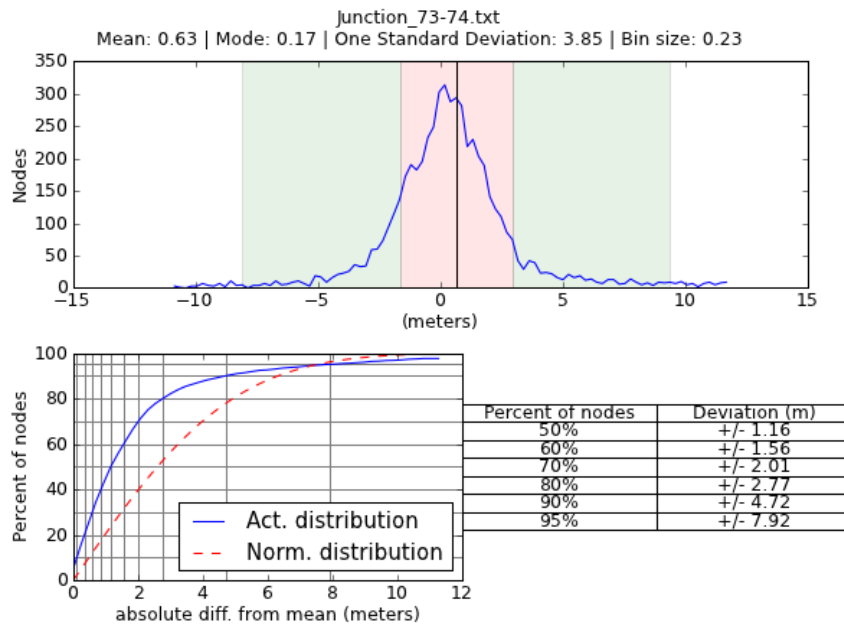


Figure 6: Statistical information for junction comparison between sheet H12374 and H12373.

**Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the junction area are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.**

H11917

See figure 7 for statistical information of variances of junction comparison between H12374 32m\_Combine surface and H11917 32m\_Combined surface and figure 8 for graphical representation of data gap between

sheets H12374 and H11917. Due to insufficient overlap between sheet limits a data gap between the two surveys is present.

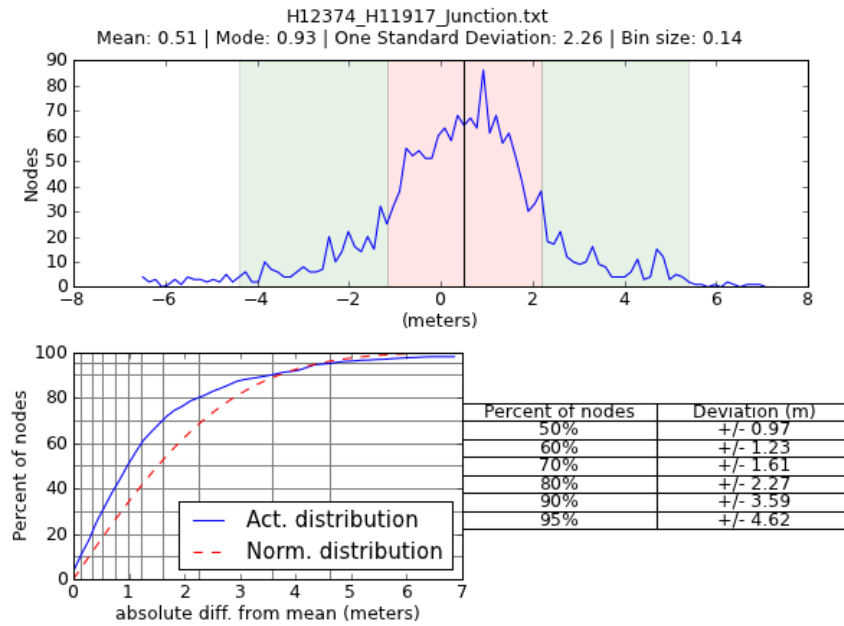


Figure 7: Statistical information for junction comparison between sheet H12374 and H11917.

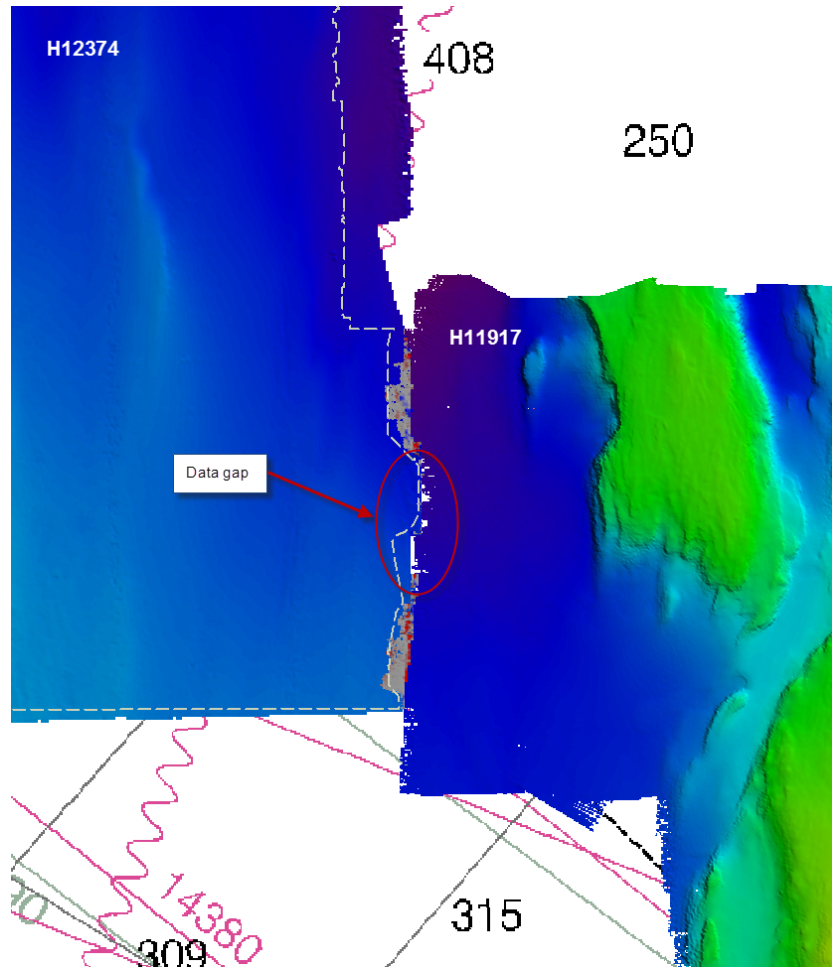


Figure 8: Graphical representation of differences between junction H12374 and H11917.

***Do not concur. Gaps exist at this junction because data were rejected unnecessarily. The SAR reviewer re-accepted soundings in this area to increase the overlap and performed a new junction comparison using surface differencing. On average, the difference was 2.6 meters where 93.3 percent of nodes fall within IHO Order 2 in depths between 550-600 meters. Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the junction area are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.***

H12064

See figure 9 for static information for junction comparison between H12374 32m\_Combine surface and H12064 32m\_Combined surface.



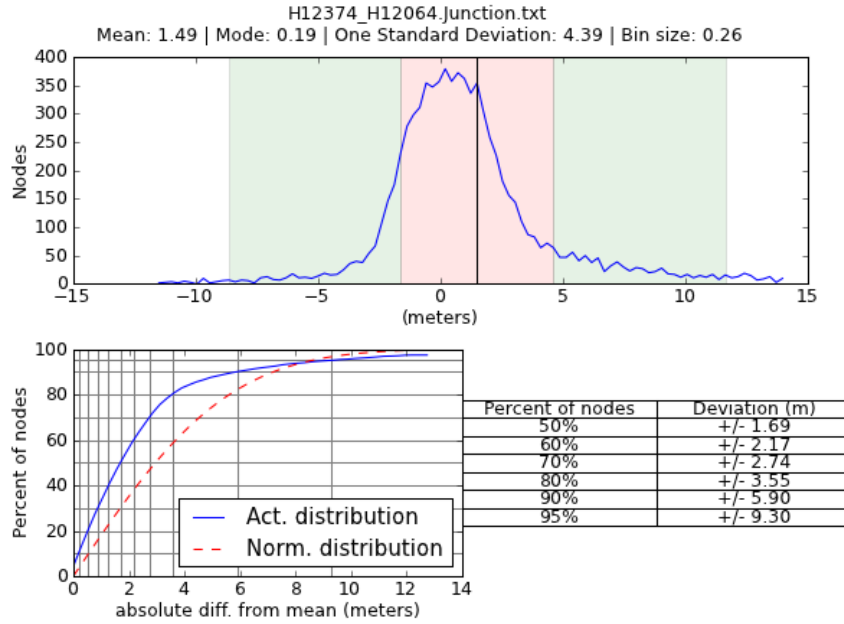


Figure 9: Statistical information for junction comparison between sheet H12374 and H12064. Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the junction area are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.

H12372

See figure 10 for statistical information for junction comparison between H12374 32m\_Combine surface and H12372 32m\_Combined surface.

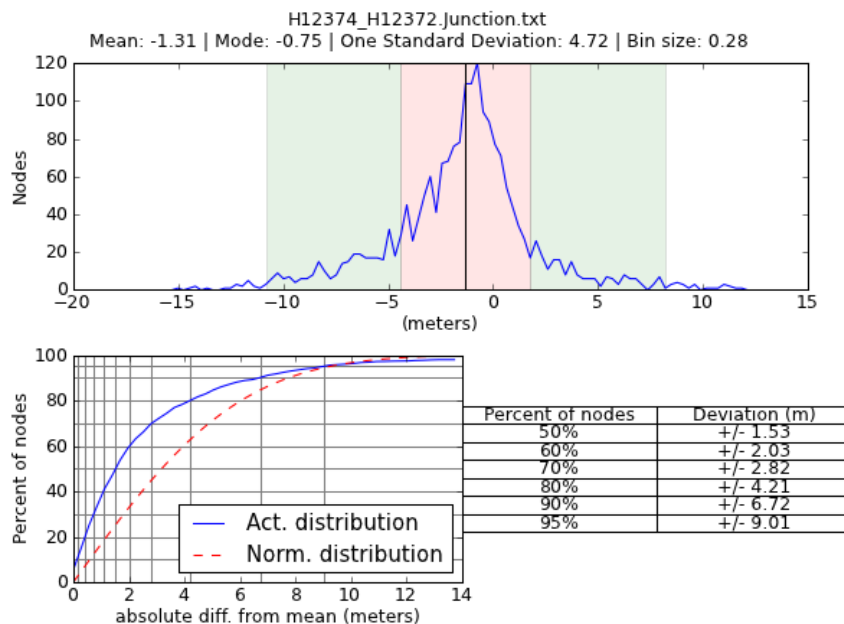


Figure 10: Statistical information for junction comparison between sheet H12374 and H12372.

**Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the junction area are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.**

H12371

See figure 11 for statistical information for junction comparison between H12374 32m\_Combine surface and H12371 16m\_Combined surface.

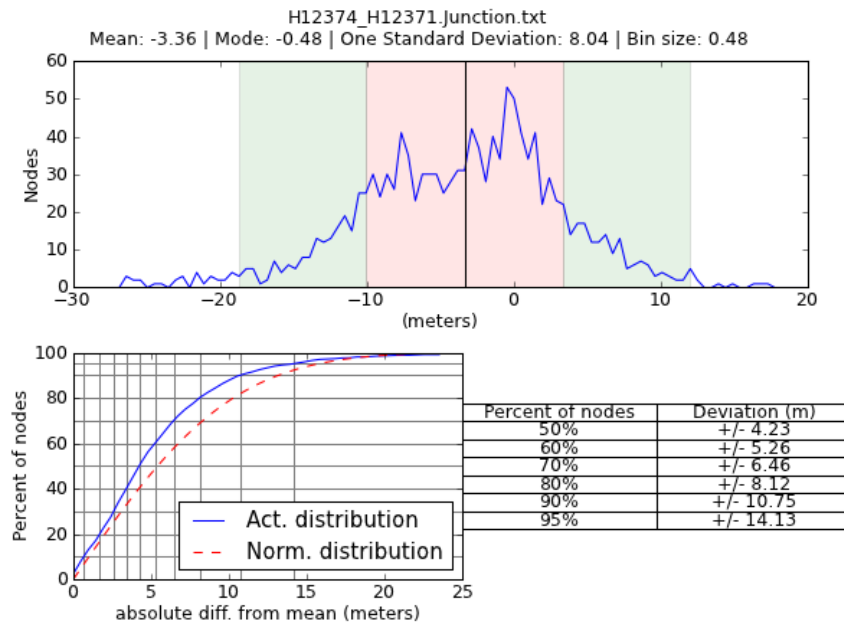


Figure 11: Statistical information for junction comparison between sheet H12374 and H12371.

**Due to the variable topography and possible sound speed refraction, differences in the junction area are to be expected. The data is adequate for charting.**

## B.2.4 Sonar QC Checks

Sonar system quality control checks were conducted as detailed in the quality control section of the DAPR.

## B.2.5 Equipment Effectiveness

### B.2.5.1 Equipment Effectiveness

No unusual conditions were encountered which would downgrade or otherwise affect the equipment operational effectiveness.

## **B.2.6 Factors Affecting Soundings**

### **B.2.6.1 Factors Affecting Soundings**

No factors were present that affected soundings.

## **B.2.7 Sound Speed Methods**

Sound Speed Cast Frequency: Sound speed measurements were conducted and applied as discussed in the Corrections to Echo Soundings section of the DAPR.

## **B.2.8 Coverage Equipment and Methods**

All Equipment and survey methods were used as detailed in the DAPR.

## **B.2.9 Density**

Density requirements for H12374 were achieved with at least 98.14% of finalized surface nodes containing five or more soundings except for the 8m\_Final\_100to160 finalized layer which passed at 83.19%. Sufficient density was believed to have not been achieved due to the majority of the data lying close to the sheet limits contained of mostly outer beams; see Standards Compliance Review in Appendix V.

## **B.3 Echo Sounding Corrections**

### **B.3.1 Corrections to Echo Soundings**

All data reduction procedures conform to those detailed in the DAPR.

*Do not concur. The field rejected high-quality data, thus causing a data gap between two adjoining surveys that affected the field's ability to meet coverage requirements and junction analysis requirements. During the SAR, some of the data rejected in error was re-accepted, thus mitigating the issues with junction analysis and coverage requirements. The data is adequate for charting.*

### **B.3.2 Calibrations**

All sounding systems were calibrated as detailed in the DAPR.

## B.4 Backscatter

Backscatter was logged as a 7k file and submitted directly to NGDC to be archived and to PHB where the data will be processed.

*The data will be archived at NGDC. The branches are not currently processing backscatter data.*

## B.5 Data Processing

### B.5.1 Software Updates

The following software updates occurred after the submission of the DAPR:

Manufacturer	Name	Version	Service Pack	Hotfix	Installation Date	Use
Caris	HIPS/SIPS	7.1	0	3	10/24/2011	Processing
Caris	HIPS/SIPS	7.1	0	2	08/08/2011	Processing
NOAA	Pydro	11.7-10	0	r3563-r3638	07/15/2011	Processing
Caris	Notebook	3.1	1	0	09/02/2011	Processing
Caris	Notebook	3.1	0	3	02/25/2011	Processing
Applanix	PosPAC	5.4	1	0	07/15/2011	Processing

*Table 9: Software Updates*

The following Feature Object Catalog was used: Object catalog version #5

### B.5.2 Surfaces

The following CARIS surfaces were submitted to the Processing Branch:

Surface Name	Surface Type	Resolution	Depth Range	Surface Parameter	Purpose
H12374_8m	CUBE	8 meters	-	NOAA_8m	Complete MBES
H12374_16m	CUBE	16 meters	-	NOAA_16m	Complete MBES
H12374_32m	CUBE	32 meters	-	NOAA_32m	Complete MBES
H12374_8m_Final_72to160	CUBE	8 meters	72 meters - 160 meters	NOAA_8m	Complete MBES
H12374_16m_Final_144to320	CUBE	16 meters	144 meters - 320 meters	NOAA_16m	Complete MBES
H12374_32m_Final_288to800	CUBE	32 meters	288 meters - 800 meters	NOAA_32m	Complete MBES
H12374_32m_Combine	CUBE	32 meters	-	NOAA_32m	Complete MBES

*Table 10: CARIS Surfaces*

All field sheets extents were adjusted using the Base 16 Calculator tool to ensure coincident nodes among all bathymetric surfaces regardless of the field sheet in which they are contained given the standard resolution of one meter. The NOAA CUBE parameters mandated in HSSD were used for the creation of all CUBE BASE surfaces in Survey H12374.

The surfaces have been reviewed where noisy data, or 'fliers' are incorporated into the gridded solution causing the surface to be shoaler than the true seafloor. Where these spurious soundings cause the gridded surface to be shoaler than the reliably measured seabed by greater than the maximum allowable TVU at that depth, the noisy data have been rejected and the surface recomputed. This was primarily accomplished by manual cleaning in CARIS HIPS and SIPS.

***The SAR Reviewer created a new 32-meter resolution surface and re-accepted soundings that had been unnecessarily rejected by the field. Reviewer also created a new 32-meter combined surface based on the re-accepted coverage. Both of these surfaces will be sent to NGDC as BAGs. The 32-meter combined surface, H12374\_32m\_Office\_Combined.csar, was used as the basis of compilation.***

## C. Vertical and Horizontal Control

Additional information discussing the vertical or horizontal control for this survey can be found in the accompanying HVCR.

### C.1 Vertical Control

The vertical datum for this project is Mean lower low water.

#### Standard Vertical Control Methods Used:

Discrete Zoning

The following National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON) stations served as datum control for this survey:

Station Name	Station ID
Port Alexander	9451054

*Table 11: NWLON Tide Stations*

File Name	Status
9451054	Verified Observed

*Table 12: Water Level Files (.tid)*

File Name	Status
0322FA2011CORP.zdf	Final

*Table 13: Tide Correctors (.zdf or .tc)*

A request for final approved tides was sent to N/OPS1 on 10/11/2011. The final tide note was received on 12/07/2011.

Preliminary zoning is accepted as the final zoning for project OPR-0322-FA-11.

[See attached Tide Note dated October 24, 2011.](#)

### C.2 Horizontal Control

The horizontal datum for this project is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83).

The following PPK methods were used for horizontal control:

## Single Base

The following CORS Stations were used for horizontal control:

<b>HVCR Site ID</b>	<b>Base Station ID</b>
Port Alexander	AB48

*Table 14: CORS Base Stations*

The following user installed stations were used for horizontal control:

<b>HVCR Site ID</b>	<b>Base Station ID</b>
Patterson Point	PAT

*Table 15: User Installed Base Stations*

Vessel kinematic data were post-processed using Applanix POSPac processing software and SingleBase methods described in the DAPR. Smooth Best Estimate of Trajectory (SBET) and associated error (RMS) data were applied to all MBES data in CARIS HIPS.

For further details regarding the processing and quality control checks performed see the H12374 POSPAC Processing logs in submitted GNSS folder or OPR-0322-FA-11 Horizontal and Vertical Control report, submitted under separate cover.

Differential correctors were used from the U.S. Coast Guard station Annette Island as the primary USCG beacon at the beginning of the project, but due to poor signal was changed to Level Island for real-time acquisition.

The following DGPS Stations were used for horizontal control:

<b>DGPS Stations</b>
Level Island (295kHz)
Annette Island (323kHz)

*Table 16: USCG DGPS Stations*

## D. Results and Recommendations

### D.1 Chart Comparison

#### D.1.1 Raster Charts

The following are the largest scale raster charts, which cover the survey area:

<b>Chart</b>	<b>Scale</b>	<b>Edition</b>	<b>Edition Date</b>	<b>LNМ Date</b>	<b>NM Date</b>
17320	1:217828	18	03/2008	03/04/2008	03/01/2008
17331	1:10000	8	06/2007	05/29/2007	06/09/2007
17333	1:20000	7	10/2004	10/23/2007	10/03/2007

*Table 17: Largest Scale Raster Charts*

#### 17320

Sounding agreement between surveyed soundings on sheet H12374 varied between 1 to 95 fathoms on chart 17320. Generally charted fathoms were deeper than surveyed soundings. The greatest difference of 82 fathoms was found at the charted depth of 262 fathoms, the surveyed sounding is 344 fathoms; see figure 12.

See figure 13 for contour trends which are digitized in CARIS HIPS and SIPS, depicting discrepancies with chart H17320.



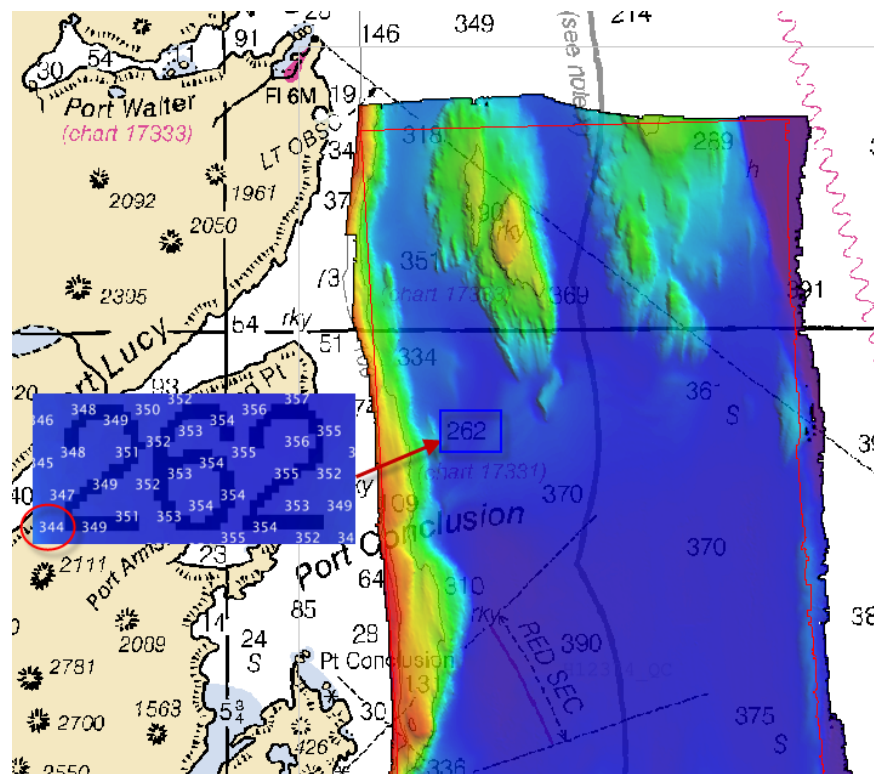


Figure 12: Chart 17320 depth difference between surveyed soundings on north west portion of sheet H12374.

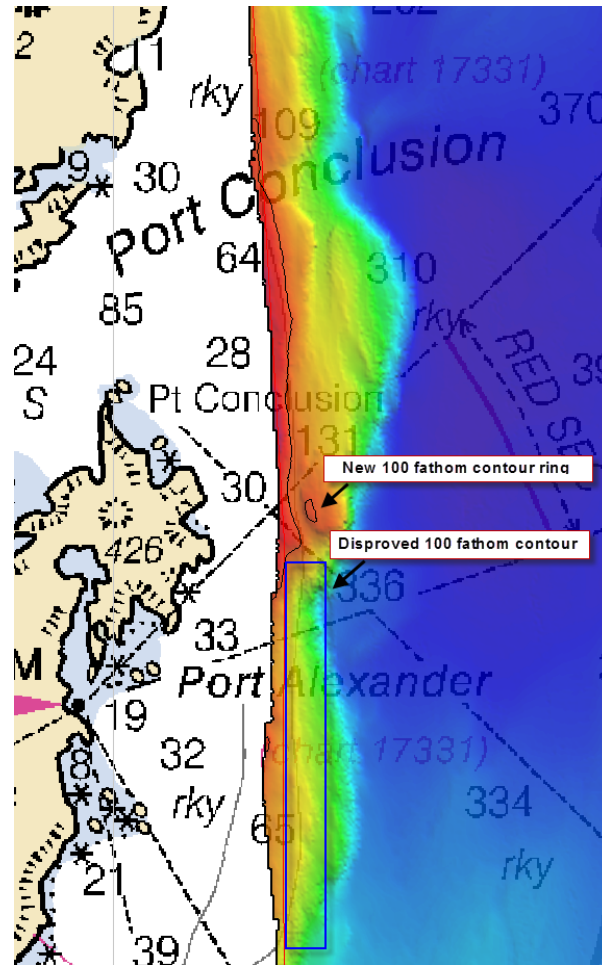
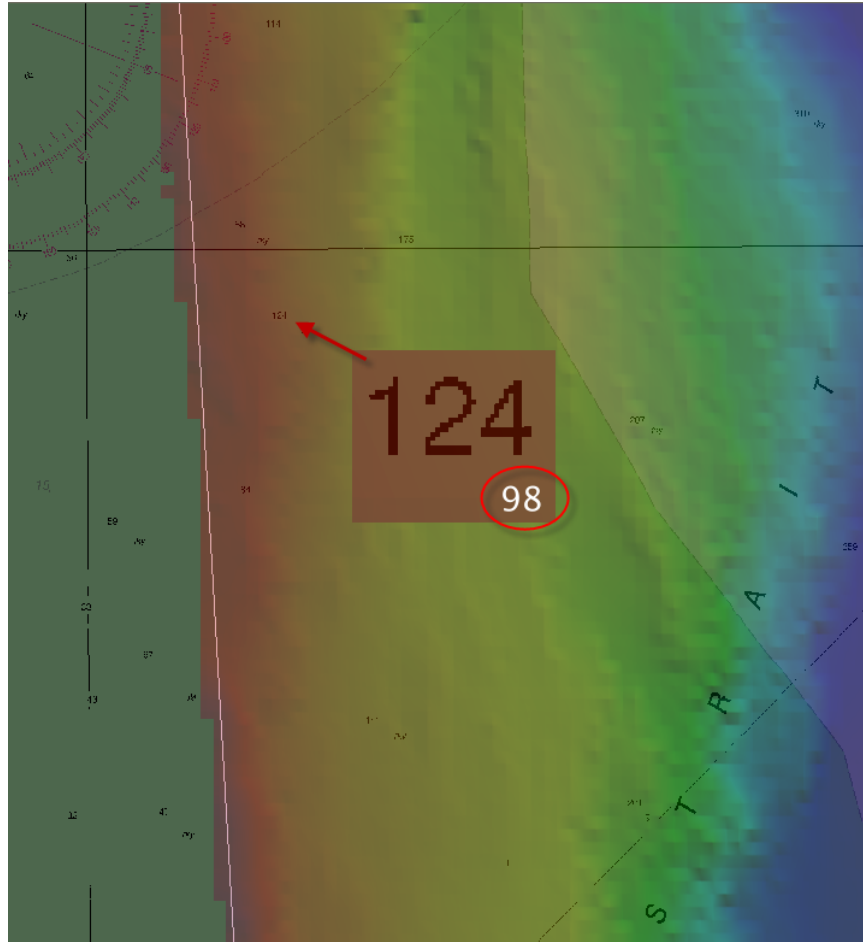


Figure 13: Chart 17320 and new surveyed 100 fathom contour.

**Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.**

### 17331

Sounding agreement between surveyed soundings on sheet H12374 varied between 0 to 26 fathoms on chart 17331. Generally charted fathoms were deeper than surveyed soundings. The greatest difference of 26 fathoms was found at the charted depth of 124 fathoms, the surveyed sounding is 98 fathoms; see figure 14.



*Figure 14: Chart 17331 depth differences between surveyed sounds on western portion of sheet H12374. Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.*

### 17333

Sounding agreement between surveyed soundings on sheet H12374 varied between 0 to 95 fathoms on chart 17333. Generally charted fathoms were deeper than surveyed soundings. The greatest difference of 85 fathoms was found at the charted depth of 262 fathoms the surveyed sounding is 347 fathom; see figure 15.

See figure 16 for contour trends which were digitized in CARIS HIPS and SIPS, depicting discrepancies with chart H17333.

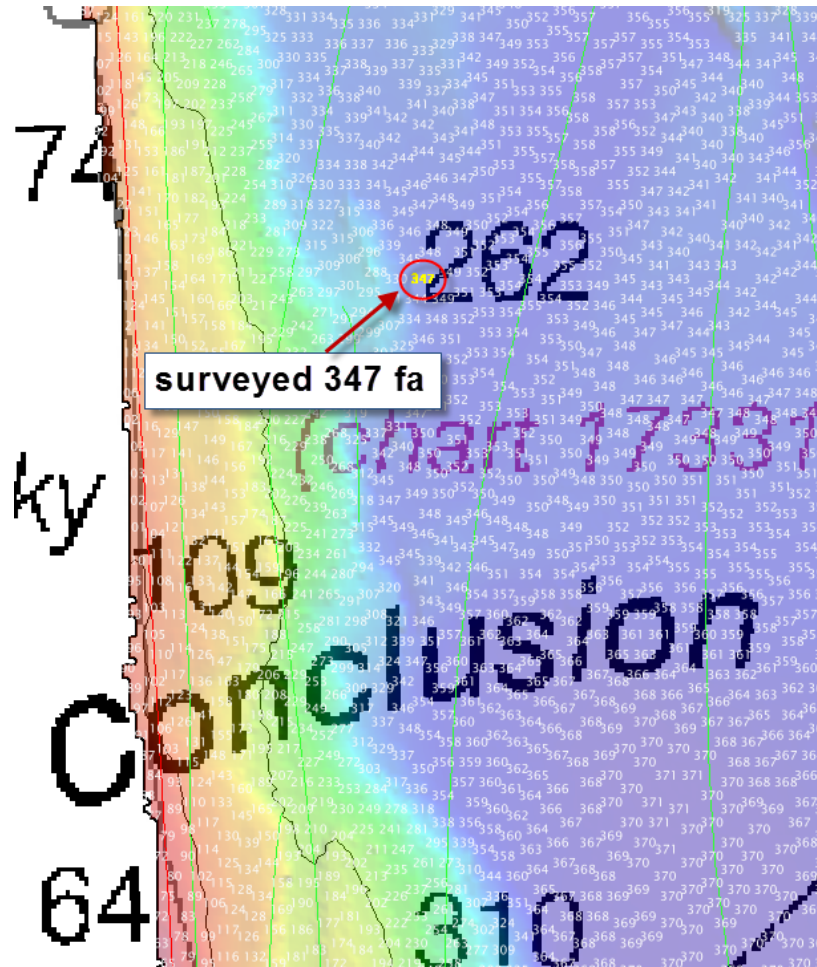


Figure 15: Chart 17333 depth differences between surveyed soundings on north east portion of H12374.

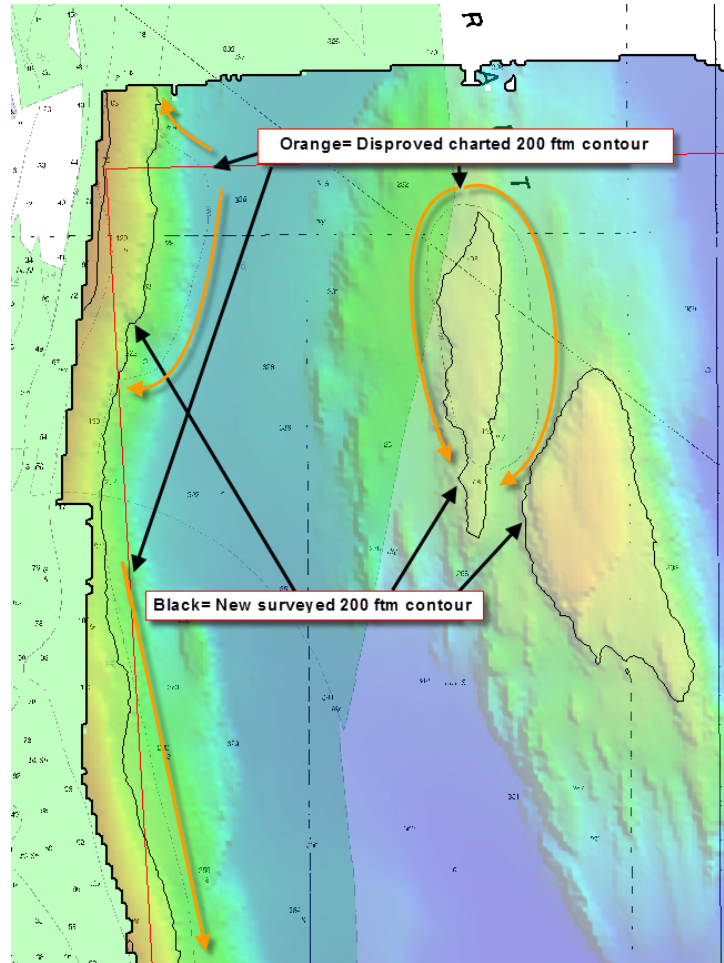


Figure 16: Chart 17333 with new surveyed 200 fathom contours.

*The chart shown in figure 15 is chart 17320, not chart 17333. Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.*

### D.1.2 Electronic Navigational Charts

The following are the largest scale ENC's, which cover the survey area:

ENC	Scale	Edition	Update Application Date	Issue Date	Preliminary?
US3AK4PM	1:217828	9	03/21/2011	03/21/2011	NO
US5AK08E	1:10000	1	08/02/2011	08/02/2011	YES
US5AK09E	1:20000	1	08/02/2011	08/02/2011	YES

Table 18: Largest Scale ENC's

US3AK4PM

ENC US3AK4PM depths match RNC 17320, 17331 and 17333 therefore all charted depths correspond to surveyed soundings.

***US3AK4PM at the same scale as chart 17320, and therefore, only matches that chart. The other 2 charts listed are larger scale charts. Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.***

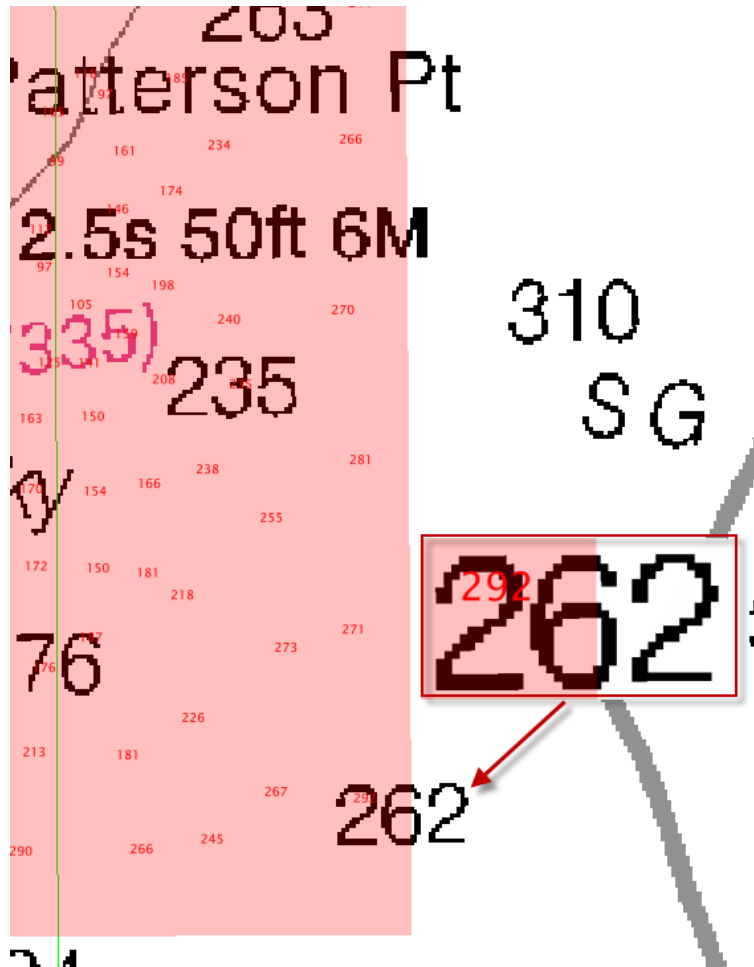
US5AK08E

ENC US5AK08E depths match RNC 17320, 17331 and 17333 therefore all charted depths correspond to surveyed soundings.

***US5AK08E at the same scale as chart 17331, and therefore, only matches that chart. The other 2 charts listed are smaller scale charts. Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.***

US5AK09E

ENC US5AK09E depths match RNC 17331 and 17333 therefore all charted depths correspond to surveyed soundings. ENC US5AK09E depths match RNC 17320 except for RNC charted depth 318 fathoms, in the northwest corner of sheet H12374 sheet limits, where ENC US5AK09E charted depth is 328 fathoms; see figure 17.



*Figure 17: ENC US5AK09E charted depth 328 fathom in conflict with RNC 17320 charted depth 318 fathoms.*

*ENC US5AK09E charted depth is 326 fathoms at this location, not 328 fathoms. Figure 17 is an incorrect graphic and does not depict anything from chart 17320 within the boundaries of H12374. US5AK09E at the same scale as chart 17333, and therefore, only matches that chart. The other 2 charts listed are either larger or smaller scale. Update charted depths and contours based on new survey data.*

### D.1.3 AWOIS Items

None Exist

### D.1.4 Charted Features

None Exist

*A large section of charts 17331 and 17333 are covered with a green-tint, wire drag area that was not specifically addressed by the field. Due to full multibeam coverage in the area, it is recommended that the green-tint be removed in the common area and the chart updated with the new survey depths.*

**D.1.5 Uncharted Features**

None Exist

**D.1.6 Dangers to Navigation**

No Danger to Navigation Reports were submitted for this survey.

**D.1.7 Shoal and Hazardous Features**

None Exist

**D.1.8 Channels**

None Exist

**D.2 Additional Results****D.2.1 Shoreline**

None Exist

**D.2.2 Prior Surveys**

Exist- Not Investigated

**D.2.3 Aids to Navigation**

Aids to navigation (ATON) located near Port Alexander was observed from sheet H12374. No discrepancies were identified therefore the hydrographer recommends to retain the charted ATON.

*The ATON does not exist within the limits of H12374, and therefore was not formally investigated as a part of this survey. The ATON should be retained as charted.*

**D.2.4 Overhead Features**

None Exist



### D.2.5 Submarine Features

The charted cable, located in the southeast corner of sheet H12374 was observed however the hydrographer recommends retaining the cable due to deep depths; see figure 18.

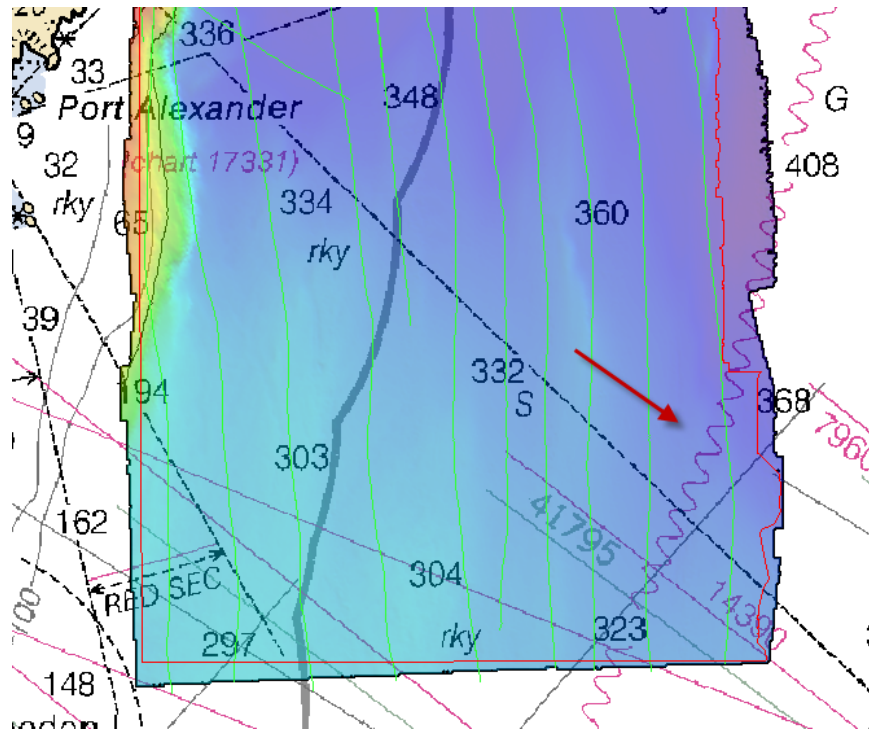


Figure 18: Cable not observed in multibeam in southeast corner of sheet H12374.

**The charted cable was not observed in multibeam data, however, it is recommended that it be retain as charted.**

### D.2.6 Ferry Routes and Terminals

None Exist

### D.2.7 Platforms

None Exist

### D.2.8 Significant Features

None Exist

## **D.2.9 Construction and Dredging**

None Exist



## E. Approval Sheet

As Chief of Party, Field operations for this hydrographic survey were conducted under my direct supervision, with frequent personal checks of progress and adequacy. I have reviewed the attached survey data and reports.

All field sheets, this Descriptive Report, and all accompanying records and data are approved. All records are forwarded for final review and processing to the Processing Branch.

The survey data meets or exceeds requirements as set forth in the NOS Hydrographic Surveys and Specifications Deliverables Manual, Field Procedures Manual, Standing and Letter Instructions, and all HSD Technical Directives. These data are adequate to supersede charted data in their common areas. This survey is complete and no additional work is required with the exception of deficiencies noted in the Descriptive Report.

Report Name	Report Date Sent
Hydrographic Systems Readiness Review	2011-08-26
Data Acquisition and Processing Report for OPR-O322-FA-11	2011-12-16
Horizontal and Vertical Control Report for OPR-O322-FA-11	2011-12-16
Coast Pilot Report for OPR-O322-FA-11	2011-12-06

Approver Name	Approver Title	Approval Date	Signature
CAPT David O. Neander, NOAA	Chief of Party	12/16/2011	 2011.12.16 11:25:07 -08'00'
SST Christine L. Mallory	Sheet Manager	12/16/2011	 Christine Mallory 2011.12.16 18:59:38 Z
CST Weston J. Renoud	Chief Survey Technician	12/16/2011	 David Moehl 2011.12.16 11:02:40 -08'00'
LT Caryn M. Zacharias, NOAA	Field Operations Officer	12/16/2011	 Caryn M. Zacharias 2011.12.16 11:12:19 -08'00'

## F. Table of Acronyms

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>AFF</b>	Assigned Features File
<b>AHB</b>	Atlantic Hydrographic Branch
<b>AST</b>	Assistant Survey Technician
<b>ATON</b>	Aid to Navigation
<b>AWOIS</b>	Automated Wreck and Obstruction Information System
<b>BAG</b>	Bathymetric Attributed Grid
<b>BASE</b>	Bathymetry Associated with Statistical Error
<b>CO</b>	Commanding Officer
<b>CO-OPS</b>	Center for Operational Products and Services
<b>CORS</b>	Continually Operating Reference Station
<b>CTD</b>	Conductivity Temperature Depth
<b>CEF</b>	Chart Evaluation File
<b>CSF</b>	Composite Source File
<b>CST</b>	Chief Survey Technician
<b>CUBE</b>	Combined Uncertainty and Bathymetry Estimator
<b>DAPR</b>	Data Acquisition and Processing Report
<b>DGPS</b>	Differential Global Positioning System
<b>DP</b>	Discrete Position
<b>DR</b>	Descriptive Report
<b>DTON</b>	Danger to Navigation
<b>ENC</b>	Electronic Navigational Chart
<b>ERS</b>	Ellipsoidal Referenced Survey
<b>ERZT</b>	Ellipsoidally Referenced Zoned Tides
<b>FOO</b>	Field Operations Officer
<b>FPM</b>	Field Procedures Manual
<b>GAMS</b>	GPS Azimuth Measurement Subsystem
<b>GC</b>	Geographic Cell
<b>GPS</b>	Global Positioning System
<b>HIPS</b>	Hydrographic Information Processing System
<b>HSD</b>	Hydrographic Surveys Division
<b>HSSDM</b>	Hydrographic Survey Specifications and Deliverables Manual

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>HSTP</b>	Hydrographic Systems Technology Programs
<b>HSX</b>	Hypack Hysweep File Format
<b>HTD</b>	Hydrographic Surveys Technical Directive
<b>HVCR</b>	Horizontal and Vertical Control Report
<b>HVF</b>	HIPS Vessel File
<b>IHO</b>	International Hydrographic Organization
<b>IMU</b>	Inertial Motion Unit
<b>ITRF</b>	International Terrestrial Reference Frame
<b>LNM</b>	Local Notice to Mariners
<b>LNM</b>	Linear Nautical Miles
<b>MCD</b>	Marine Chart Division
<b>MHW</b>	Mean High Water
<b>MLLW</b>	Mean Lower Low Water
<b>NAD 83</b>	North American Datum of 1983
<b>NAIP</b>	National Agriculture and Imagery Program
<b>NALL</b>	Navigable Area Limit Line
<b>NM</b>	Notice to Mariners
<b>NMEA</b>	National Marine Electronics Association
<b>NOAA</b>	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
<b>NOS</b>	National Ocean Service
<b>NRT</b>	Navigation Response Team
<b>NSD</b>	Navigation Services Division
<b>OCS</b>	Office of Coast Survey
<b>OMAO</b>	Office of Marine and Aviation Operations (NOAA)
<b>OPS</b>	Operations Branch
<b>MBES</b>	Multibeam Echosounder
<b>NWLON</b>	National Water Level Observation Network
<b>PDBS</b>	Phase Differencing Bathymetric Sonar
<b>PHB</b>	Pacific Hydrographic Branch
<b>POS/MV</b>	Position and Orientation System for Marine Vessels
<b>PPK</b>	Post Processed Kinematic
<b>PPP</b>	Precise Point Positioning
<b>PPS</b>	Pulse per second

<b>Acronym</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>PRF</b>	Project Reference File
<b>PS</b>	Physical Scientist
<b>PST</b>	Physical Science Technician
<b>RNC</b>	Raster Navigational Chart
<b>RTK</b>	Real Time Kinematic
<b>SBES</b>	Singlebeam Echosounder
<b>SBET</b>	Smooth Best Estimate and Trajectory
<b>SNM</b>	Square Nautical Miles
<b>SSS</b>	Side Scan Sonar
<b>ST</b>	Survey Technician
<b>SVP</b>	Sound Velocity Profiler
<b>TCARI</b>	Tidal Constituent And Residual Interpolation
<b>TPU</b>	Total Propagated Error
<b>TPU</b>	Topside Processing Unit
<b>USACE</b>	United States Army Corps of Engineers
<b>USCG</b>	United States Coast Guard
<b>UTM</b>	Universal Transverse Mercator
<b>XO</b>	Executive Officer
<b>ZDA</b>	Global Positioning System timing message
<b>ZDF</b>	Zone Definition File



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**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**  
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**TIDE NOTE FOR HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY**

**DATE :** October 24, 2011

**HYDROGRAPHIC BRANCH:** Pacific  
**HYDROGRAPHIC PROJECT:** OPR-O322-FA-2011  
**HYDROGRAPHIC SHEET:** H12374

**LOCALITY:** 3NM E of Point, Chatham Strait, AK  
**TIME PERIOD:** September 25 - October 08, 2011

**TIDE STATION USED:** 945-1054 Port Alexander, AK  
Lat. 56° 14.8'N Long. 134° 38.8' W

**PLANE OF REFERENCE (MEAN LOWER LOW WATER):** 0.000 meters  
**HEIGHT OF HIGH WATER ABOVE PLANE OF REFERENCE:** 3.077 meters

**REMARKS: RECOMMENDED ZONING**

Preliminary zoning is accepted as the final zoning for project OPR-O322-FA-2011, H12374, during the time period between September 25 and October 08, 2011.

Please use the zoning file "O322FA2011CORP" submitted with the project instructions for OPR-O322-FA-2011. Zones SA231, SA232, SA475, SA476, and SA477 are the applicable zones for H12374.

**Refer to attachments for zoning information.**

**Note 1:** Provided time series data are tabulated in metric units (meters), relative to MLLW and on Greenwich Mean Time on the 1983-2001 National Tidal Datum Epoch (NTDE).

**Gerald  
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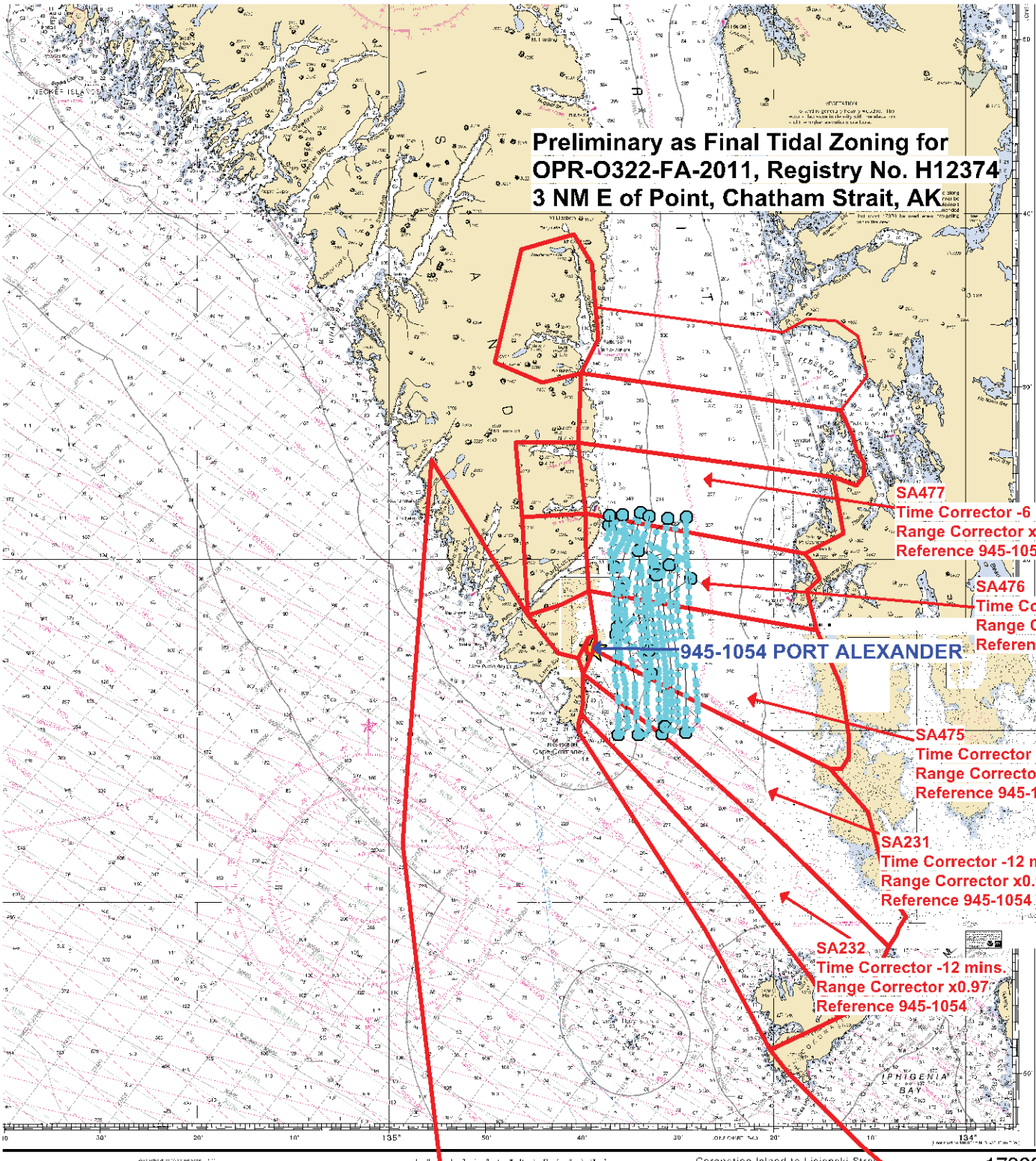
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**Preliminary as Final Tidal Zoning for  
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 3 NM E of Point, Chatham Strait, AK**



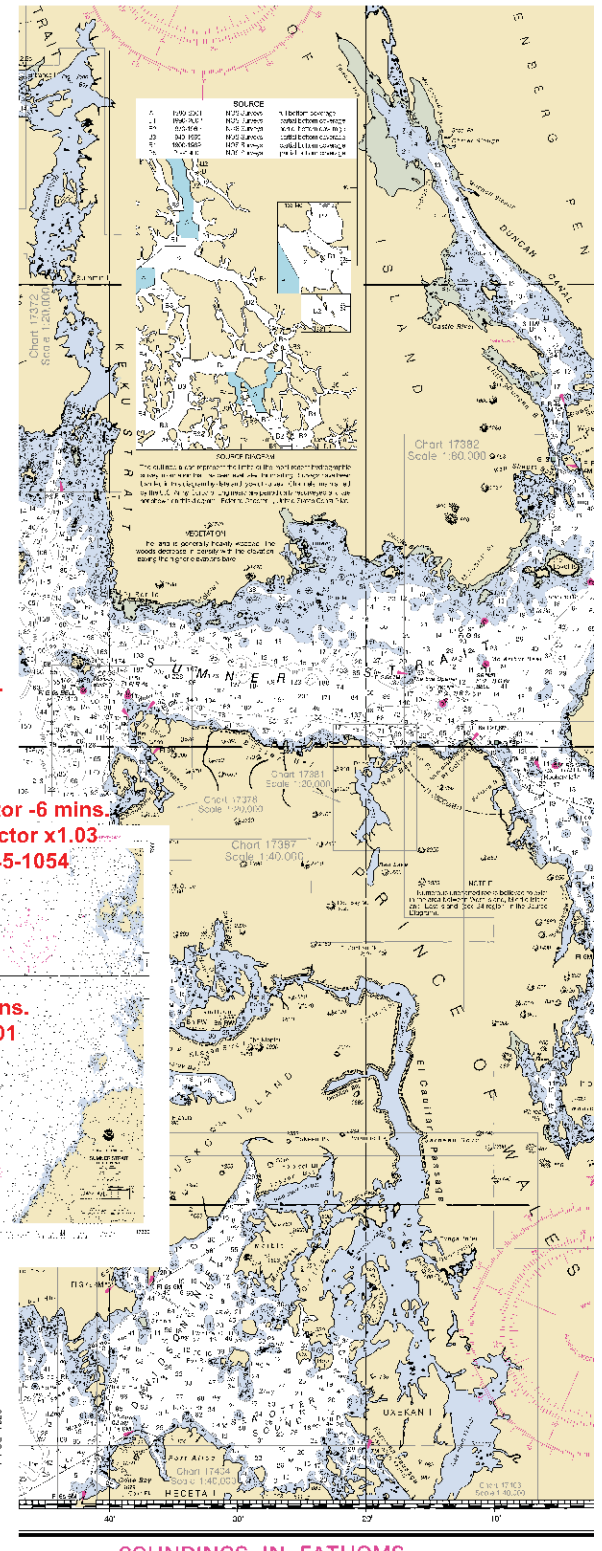
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# PHB Compilation Log

## General Survey Info

Survey Number	H12374	Field Unit	NOAA Ship Fairweather	State	AK	UTM Zone	8N
Project Number	OPR-O322-FA-11	Project Name (Locality)	Chatham Strait				
Start Date	09/25/2011	Sublocality	3NM E of Point Conclusion				
End Date	10/08/2011	Survey Scale	1:10,000	Compilation Scale	1:10,000		

### Affected Raster Charts

Chart	KAPP	Scale	Edition	Date	NTM Date
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17333	2664	1:20,000	9th	11/01/2007	03/31/2012
17320	2644	1:217,828	18th	03/01/2008	03/31/2012



### Affected Electronic Charts

ENC	Scale
US3AK4PM	1:217,828



### Spatial Reference

Horizontal Datum	WGS84
Coordinate System	LLDG
Sounding Datum	MLLW
Vertical Datum	MHW

### Junction Surveys

Survey Number	Survey Date	Location Relative to Current Survey
H12371	10/07/2011	Northwest
H12372	10/08/2011	West
H12373	10/08/2011	North
H12064	10/22/2010	East
H11917	06/17/2008	Southeast

# PHB Compilation Log

## Processing Info

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Specs and Deliverables	Aug 2011
HCell Specs	6.1
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Software Used		
Software	Version, HF	Used For
CARIS HIPS	7.1 HF3	SAR Review. Inspection of Combined BASE Surfaces.
Pydro	11.11	SAR Review. Generation of DTON and AWOIS Reports.
CARIS BASE Editor	3.2 SP1 HF2	Creation of soundings and bathy-derived features, meta area objects, and blue notes; Survey evaluation and verification; Initial HCell assembly.
CARIS S-57 Composer	2.2 SP1 HF3	Final compilation of the HCell, correct geometry and build topology, apply final attributes, export the HCell, and QA.
CARIS GIS	4.4a SP5 HF40	Set the sounding rounding variable for conversion of the metric HCell to NOAA charting units with NOAA rounding.
CARIS HOM	3.3 SP3 HF8	Perform conversion of the metric HCell to NOAA charting units with NOAA rounding.
CARIS Plot Composer	5.1 SP1	Generate plots used for QC.
HydroService AS, dKart Inspector	6.0	Validation check of the HCell.

## Product Info

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Horizontal and Vertical Units	
During creation of the HCell all soundings and features are maintained in metric units with as high precision as possible. Depth units for soundings measured with sonar maintain millimeter precision. Depths on rocks above MLLW and heights on islets above MHW are typically measured with range finder, so precision is less.	
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# PHB Compilation Log

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4	10	20
4.5	20	50
5	50	500

Contours			
Depth contours at the intervals on the largest scale chart are included in the SS HCell for MCD raster charting division to use for guidance in creating chart contours. With the exception of the zero contours included in the *_CS file, contours have not been deconflicted against shoreline features, soundings and hydrography.			
Charted Contours	Metric Equivalent	Metric- NOAA Rounded	Chart Contours - NOAA Rounded
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200 fm	365.76	367.1316	200.750 fm
Add Contour	Remove Contour		

## Additional Info

Contact Information	
Inquiries regarding this HCell content or construction should be directed to:	
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Compilation Comments

APPROVAL SHEET  
H12374

The survey evaluation and verification has been conducted according to branch processing procedures and the HCell compiled per the latest OCS HCell Specifications.

The survey and associated records have been inspected with regard to survey coverage, delineation of the depth curves, development of critical depths, S-57 classification and attribution of soundings and features, cartographic characterization, and verification or disapproval of charted data within the survey limits. The survey records and digital data comply with OCS requirements except where noted in the Descriptive Report and are adequate to supersede prior surveys and nautical charts in the common area.

I have reviewed the HCell, accompanying data, and reports. This survey and accompanying digital data meet or exceed OCS requirements and standards for products in support of nautical charting except where noted in the Descriptive Report.