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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE
Office of Coast Survey
Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282

April 26, 2013

MEMORANDUM FOR: Captain Anita L. Lopez
Commanding Officer, Marine Operations Center - Atlantic

FROM: Jeffrey Ferguson 
Chief, Hydrographic Surveys Division

SUBJECT TJ-13-02 Change #3

Please see below for change information for TJ-13-02 Project Instructions. This change was precipitated by the adjustment in DAS allocation in the FAP for this project.

This project is scheduled to begin on March 27th, 2013 and end on June 14th, 2013.

74 DAS are scheduled for this project, 74 DAS are base funded in support of NOS, 0 DAS are program funded.

Please note that 3 of the 74 DAS were in support of TJ-13-01.



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March 20, 2013

MEMORANDUM FOR: Captain Anita L. Lopez
Commanding Officer, Marine Operations Center - Atlantic

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FROM: Jeffrey Ferguson
Chief, Hydrographic Surveys Division

SUBJECT TJ-13-02 Change #2

Please see below for change information for TJ-13-02 Project Instructions. This change was precipitated by the adjustment in DAS allocation in the FAP for this project.

Thomas Jefferson may acquire hydrographic survey data in the Approaches to Chesapeake Bay for a few hours before the transit north to address an outstanding request from USCG for shoaling and lost buoy blocks.

This project is scheduled to begin on March 27th, 2013 and end on April 20th, 2013.

23 DAS are scheduled for this project, 23 DAS are base funded in support of NOS, 0 DAS are program funded.



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March 4, 2013

MEMORANDUM FOR: Captain Anita L. Lopez
Commanding Officer, Marine Operations Center - Atlantic


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FROM: Jeffrey Ferguson
Chief, Hydrographic Services Division

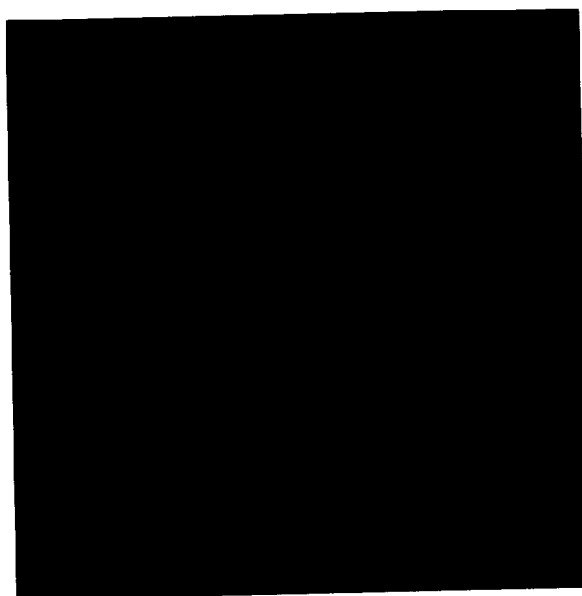
SUBJECT TJ-13-02 Change #1 *See "change 2"*

Please see below for change information for TJ-13-02 Project Instructions.

This project is scheduled to begin on March 20th, 2013 and end on May 17th, 2013.

Of the 53 DAS scheduled for this project, 0 DAS are funded by the program and 53 DAS are funded by OMAO.

Name (Last, First)	Title	Date Aboard	Date Disembark	Gender	Affiliation	Nationality
Miller, James	PS	4/8/2013	5/3/2013	M	NOAA	US
Wilson, Matthew	PS	4/8/2013	4/19/2013	M	NOAA	US
Beaudoin, Jonathan	Research Assistant Professor	4/8/2013	4/19/2013	M	University of New Hampshire	Canadian






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NOAA Marine and Aviation Operations
Marine Operations Center
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Norfolk, VA 23510-1114

MEMORANDUM FOR: Commander Lawrence Krepp, NOAA
Commanding Officer, NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson*

FROM: 
Captain Anita L. Lopez, NOAA
Commanding Officer, NOAA Marine Operations Center-Atlantic

SUBJECT: Project Instruction for TJ-13-02
OPR-B310-TJ-13, Approaches to New York
OPR-B370-TJ-13, Eastern Long Island Sound
OPR-B363-TJ-13, Approaches to Long Island Sound, RI & CT

Attached is the final Project Instruction for TJ-13-02, OPR-B310-TJ-13 with OPR-B370-TJ-13 and OPR-B363-TJ-13, which is scheduled aboard NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson* during the period of 27 March – 20 April, 2013. Acknowledge receipt of these instructions via e-mail to **OpsMgr.MOA@noaa.gov** at Marine Operations Center-Atlantic.

Attachment

cc:
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FINAL Project Instruction


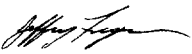
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Platform: NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson*

Project Number: TJ-13-02 (OMAO)

Project Title: Approaches to New York, NY

Project Dates: March 20, 2013 to May 3, 2013

Prepared by:  Digitally signed by Marc S. Moser, LCDR/NOAA
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Chief, Operations Branch
Hydrographic Surveys Division
Jeffrey Ferguson
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Approved by:  Jeffrey Ferguson
Chief, Hydrographic Surveys Division
Office of Coast Survey

Approved by:  Dated: 3/26/13
Captain Anita L. Lopez, NOAA
Commanding Officer
Marine Operations Center - Atlantic



I. Overview

A. Brief Summary and Project Period

B. Service Level Agreements

Of the 41 DAS scheduled for this project, 41 DAS are funded by OMAO. This project is estimated to exhibit a high Operational Tempo.

C. Operating Area (include optional map/figure showing op area)

The project area is located in the Approaches to New York, NY. A map of the project area can be found with the detailed project instructions appended to these instructions.

D. Summary of Objectives

To support safe navigation through the acquisition and processing of hydrographic survey data for updating nautical charts and by the identification and dissemination of dangers to navigation as identified during the course of survey operations.

E. Participating Institutions

N/A

F. Personnel/Science Party: name, title, gender, affiliation, and nationality

Name (Last, First)	Title	Date Aboard	Date Disembark	Gender	Affiliation	Nationality
TBD						

G. Administrative

1. Points of Contacts:

Principle Investigator:

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Commanding Officer, NOAA Ship *Thomas Jefferson*
Marine Operations Center, Atlantic
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CO.Thomas.Jefferson@noaa.gov

2. Diplomatic Clearances

N/A

3. Licenses and Permits

Planned hydrographic surveys are included in the OCS National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) analysis and the Programmatic Environmental Assessment for the Office of Coast Survey Hydrographic Survey Projects, dated June 2012.

II. Operations

A. Project Itinerary

Itinerary will be based upon the ship's schedule and executed under the direction of the Commanding Officer. Every effort shall be made by the Commanding Officer to maximize the operational efficiency of assigned projects.

B. Staging and Destaging

N/A

C. Operations to be Conducted

Hydrographic survey operations per the appended project instructions using two survey launches up to 10 hr/day for data acquisition and project field support. Additionally, the ability to run concurrent 24 hr ship survey operations for short periods of time or for extended periods of time with reduced launch operations.

D. Dive Plan

All dives are to be conducted in accordance with the requirements and regulations of the NOAA Diving Program (<http://www.ndc.noaa.gov/dr.html>) and require the approval of the ship's Commanding Officer.

E. Applicable Restrictions

Conditions which preclude normal operations:

- poor weather conditions
- equipment failure
- safety concerns
- personnel shortages

III. Equipment

A. Equipment and Capabilities provided by the ship (itemized)

- 1 Two fully outfitted and operational survey launches to support shallow water survey operations utilizing hull mounted side scan sonar, multibeam, and vertical beam sonar systems.
- 2 Ship fully outfitted with hydrographic survey equipment to support multibeam survey operations.
- 3 Personnel to staff and operate the ship's survey equipment for 24 hr/day operations and a minimum of 2 survey launches and equipment for up to 10 hr per day concurrently, at the discretion of the command to ensure the most efficient survey operations.
- 4 A fully staffed survey department to efficiently manage the project's data processing requirements.

B. Equipment and Capabilities provided by the scientists (itemized)

Hydrographic Surveys Division shall provide Physical Scientists for hydrographic data acquisition, processing, training and data quality assurance support during project survey operations. Additionally, shore based technical support shall be provided for survey systems and data acquisition and processing software.

IV. Hazardous Materials

A. Policy and Compliance

The Chief Scientist is responsible for complying with FEC 07 Hazardous Materials and Hazardous Waste Management Requirements for Visiting Scientific Parties (or the OMAO procedure that supersedes it). By Federal regulations and NOAA Marine and Aviation Operations policy, the ship may not sail without a complete inventory of all hazardous materials

by name and the anticipated quantity brought aboard, MSDS and appropriate neutralizing agents, buffers, or absorbents in amounts adequate to address spills of a size equal to the amount of chemical brought aboard, and a chemical hygiene plan. Documentation regarding those requirements will be provided by the Chief of Operations, Marine Operations Center, upon request.

Per FEC 07, the scientific party will include with their project instructions and provide to the CO of the respective ship 60 to 90 days before departure:

- A list of hazardous materials by name and anticipated quantity
- Include a chemical spill plan that addresses all of the chemicals the program is bringing aboard. This shall include:
 - Procedures on how the spilled chemicals will be contained and cleaned up.
 - A complete inventory (including volumes/amounts) of the chemical spill supplies and equipment brought aboard by the program. This must be sufficient to clean and neutralize all of the chemicals brought aboard by the program.
 - A list of the trained personnel that will be accompanying the project and the training they've completed.

Upon embarkation and prior to loading hazardous materials aboard the vessel, the scientific party will provide to the CO or their designee:

- An inventory list showing actual amount of hazardous material brought aboard
- An MSDS for each material
- Confirmation that neutralizing agents and spill equipment were brought aboard sufficient to contain and cleanup all of the hazardous material brought aboard by the program.

Upon departure from the ship, scientific parties will provide the CO or their designee an inventory of hazardous material indicating all materials have been used or removed from the vessel. The CO's designee will maintain a log to track scientific party hazardous materials. MSDS will be made available to the ship's complement, in compliance with Hazard Communication Laws.

Scientific parties are expected to manage and respond to spills of scientific hazardous materials. Overboard discharge of scientific chemicals is not permitted during projects aboard NOAA ships.

B. Radioactive Isotopes

The Chief Scientist is responsible for complying with OMAO 0701-10 Radioactive Material aboard NOAA Ships. Documentation regarding those requirements will be provided by the Chief of Operations, Marine Operations Center, upon request.

At least three months in advance of a domestic project and eight months in advance of a foreign project start date the shall submit required documentation to MOC-CO, including:

1. NOAA Form 57-07-02, Request to Use Radioactive Material aboard a NOAA Ship
2. Draft Project Instructions

3. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Materials License (NRC Form 374) or a state license for each state the ship will operate in with RAM on board the ship.
4. Report of Proposed Activities in Non-Agreement States, Areas of Exclusive Federal Jurisdiction, or Offshore Waters (NRC Form 241), if only state license(s) are submitted).
5. MSDS
6. Experiment or usage protocols, including spill cleanup procedures.

Scientific parties will follow responsibilities as outlined in the procedure, including requirements for storage and use, routine wipe tests, signage, and material disposal as outline in OMAO 0701-10.

All radioisotope work will be conducted by NRC or State licensed investigators only, and copies of these licenses shall be provided per OMAO 0701-10 at least three months prior to the start date of domestic projects and eight months in advance of foreign project start dates.

C. Inventory (itemized) of Radioactive Materials

N/A

V. Additional Projects

A. Supplementary (“Piggyback”) Projects

1. TJ-13-02A (OMAO) – Eastern Long Island Sound, NY & CT, OPR-B370-TJ-13 (OPS)
2. TJ-13-02B (OMAO) – Approaches to Block Island Sound, NY & CT, OPR-B363-TJ-13 (OPS)

B. NOAA Fleet Ancillary Projects

N/A

VI. Disposition of Data and Reports

A. Data Responsibilities

B. Pre and Post Project Meeting

Prior to departure, the Chief Scientist will conduct a meeting of the scientific party to train them in sample collection and inform them of project objectives. Some vessel protocols, e.g., meals, watches, etiquette, etc. will be presented by the ship’s Operations Officer.

Post-Project Meeting: Upon completion of the project, a meeting will normally be held at 0830 (unless prior alternate arrangements are made) and attended by the ship’s officers, the Chief Scientist and members of the scientific party to review the project. Concerns regarding safety, efficiency, and suggestions for improvements for future projects should be discussed. Minutes of the post-project meeting will be distributed to all participants by email, and to the Commanding Officer and Chief of Operations, Marine Operations Center.

C. Ship Operation Evaluation Report

Within seven days of the completion of the project, a Ship Operation Evaluation form is to be completed by the Chief Scientist. The preferred method of transmittal of this form is via email to omao.customer.satisfaction@noaa.gov. If email is not an option, a hard copy may be forwarded to:

Director, NOAA Marine and Aviation Operations
NOAA Office of Marine and Aviation Operations
8403 Colesville Road, Suite 500
Silver Spring, MD 20910

VII. Miscellaneous

A. Meals and Berthing

The ship will provide meals for the scientists listed above. Meals will be served 3 times daily beginning one hour before scheduled departure, extending throughout the project, and ending two hours after the termination of the project. Since the watch schedule is split between day and night, the night watch may often miss daytime meals and will require adequate food and beverages (for example a variety of sandwich items, cheeses, fruit, milk, juices) during what are not typically meal hours. Special dietary requirements for scientific participants will be made available to the ship's command at least seven days prior to the survey.

Berthing requirements, including number and gender of the scientific party, will be provided to the ship by the Chief Scientist. The Chief Scientist and Commanding Officer will work together on a detailed berthing plan to accommodate the gender mix of the scientific party taking into consideration the current make-up of the ship's complement. The Chief Scientist is responsible for ensuring the scientific berthing spaces are left in the condition in which they were received; for stripping bedding and linen return; and for the return of any room keys which were issued. The Chief Scientist is also responsible for the cleanliness of the laboratory spaces and the storage areas utilized by the scientific party, both during the project and at its conclusion prior to departing the ship.

All NOAA scientists will have proper travel orders when assigned to any NOAA ship. The Chief Scientist will ensure that all non NOAA or non Federal scientists aboard also have proper orders. It is the responsibility of the Chief Scientist to ensure that the entire scientific party has a mechanism in place to provide lodging and food and to be reimbursed for these costs in the event that the ship becomes uninhabitable and/or the galley is closed during any part of the scheduled project.

All persons boarding NOAA vessels give implied consent to comply with all safety and security policies and regulations which are administered by the Commanding Officer. All spaces and equipment on the vessel are subject to inspection or search at any time. All personnel must comply with OMAO's Drug and Alcohol Policy dated May 7, 1999 which forbids the possession and/or use of illegal drugs and alcohol aboard NOAA Vessels.

B. Medical Forms and Emergency Contacts

The NOAA Health Services Questionnaire (NHSQ, Revised: 02 JAN 2012) must be completed in advance by each participating scientist. The NHSQ can be obtained from the Chief Scientist or the NOAA website <http://www.corporateservices.noaa.gov/~noaaforms/eforms/nf57-10-01.pdf>. The completed form should be sent to the Regional Director of Health Services at Marine Operations Center. The participant can mail, fax, or scan the form into an email using the contact information below. The NHSQ should reach the Health Services Office no later than 4 weeks prior to the project to allow time for the participant to obtain and submit additional information that health services might require before clearance to sail can be granted. Please contact MOC Health Services with any questions regarding eligibility or completion of the NHSQ. Be sure to include proof of tuberculosis (TB) testing, sign and date the form, and indicate the ship or ships the participant will be sailing on. The participant will receive an email notice when medically cleared to sail if a legible email address is provided on the NHSQ.

Contact information:

Regional Director of Health Services
Marine Operations Center – Atlantic
439 W. York Street
Norfolk, VA 23510
Telephone 757-441-6320
Fax 757-441-3760
E-mail MOA.Health.Services@noaa.gov

Prior to departure, the Chief Scientist must provide an electronic listing of emergency contacts to the Executive Officer for all members of the scientific party, with the following information: contact name, address, relationship to member, and telephone number.

C. Shipboard Safety

Wearing open-toed footwear or shoes that do not completely enclose the foot (such as sandals or clogs) outside of private berthing areas is not permitted. Steel-toed shoes are required to participate in any work dealing with suspended loads, including CTD deployments and recovery. The ship does not provide steel-toed boots. Hard hats are also required when working with suspended loads. Work vests are required when working near open railings and during small boat launch and recovery operations. Hard hats and work vests will be provided by the ship when required.

D. Communications

A progress report on operations prepared by the Chief Scientist may be relayed to the program office. Sometimes it is necessary for the Chief Scientist to communicate with another vessel, aircraft, or shore facility. Through various means of communications, the ship can usually accommodate the Chief Scientist. Special radio voice communications requirements should be listed in the project instructions. The ship's primary means of communication with the Marine Operations Center is via e-mail and the Very Small Aperture Terminal (VSAT) link. Standard

VSAT bandwidth at 128kbs is shared by all vessels staff and the science team at no charge. Increased bandwidth in 30 day increments is available on the VSAT systems at increased cost to the scientific party. If increased bandwidth is being considered, program accounting is required it must be arranged at least 30 days in advance.

E. IT Security

Any computer that will be hooked into the ship's network must comply with the *NMAO Fleet IT Security Policy* 1.1 (November 4, 2005) prior to establishing a direct connection to the NOAA WAN. Requirements include, but are not limited to:

- (1) Installation of the latest virus definition (.DAT) file on all systems and performance of a virus scan on each system.
- (2) Installation of the latest critical operating system security patches.
- (3) No external public Internet Service Provider (ISP) connections.

Completion of these requirements prior to boarding the ship is required.

Non-NOAA personnel using the ship's computers or connecting their own computers to the ship's network must complete NOAA's IT Security Awareness Course within 3 days of embarking.

F. Foreign National Guests Access to OMAO Facilities and Platforms

All foreign national access to the vessel shall be in accordance with NAO 207-12 and RADM De Bow's March 16, 2006 memo (<http://deemedexports.noaa.gov>). National Marine Fisheries Service personnel will use the Foreign National Registration System (FRNS) to submit requests for access to NOAA facilities and ships. The Departmental Sponsor/NOAA (DSN) is responsible for obtaining clearances and export licenses and for providing escorts required by the NAO. DSNs should consult with their designated NMFS Deemed Exports point of contact to assist with the process.

The following are basic requirements. Full compliance with NAO 207-12 is required.

Responsibilities of the Chief Scientist:

1. Provide the Commanding Officer with the e-mail generated by the FRNS granting approval for the foreign national guest's visit. This e-mail will identify the guest's DSN and will serve as evidence that the requirements of NAO 207-12 have been complied with.
2. Escorts – The Chief Scientist is responsible to provide escorts to comply with NAO 207-12 Section 5.10, or as required by the vessel's DOC/OSY Regional Security Officer.
3. Ensure all non-foreign national members of the scientific party receive the briefing on Espionage Indicators (NAO 207-12 Appendix A) at least annually or as required by the servicing Regional Security Officer.
4. Export Control - Ensure that approved controls are in place for any technologies that are subject to Export Administration Regulations (EAR).

The Commanding Officer and the Chief Scientist will work together to implement any access controls necessary to ensure no unlicensed export occurs of any controlled technology onboard regardless of ownership.

Responsibilities of the Commanding Officer:

1. Ensure only those foreign nationals with DOC/OSY clearance are granted access.
2. Deny access to OMAO platforms and facilities by foreign nationals from countries controlled for anti-terrorism (AT) reasons and individuals from Cuba or Iran without written NMAO approval and compliance with export and sanction regulations.
3. Ensure foreign national access is permitted only if unlicensed deemed export is not likely to occur.
4. Ensure receipt from the Chief Scientist or the DSN of the FRNS e-mail granting approval for the foreign national guest's visit.
5. Ensure Foreign Port Officials, e.g., Pilots, immigration officials, receive escorted access in accordance with maritime custom to facilitate the vessel's visit to foreign ports.
6. Export Control - 8 weeks in advance of the project, provide the Chief Scientist with a current inventory of OMAO controlled technology onboard the vessel and a copy of the vessel Technology Access Control Plan (TACP). Also notify the Chief Scientist of any OMAO-sponsored foreign nationals that will be onboard while program equipment is aboard so that the Chief Scientist can take steps to prevent unlicensed export of Program controlled technology. The Commanding Officer and the Chief Scientist will work together to implement any access controls necessary to ensure no unlicensed export occurs of any controlled technology onboard regardless of ownership.
7. Ensure all OMAO personnel onboard receive the briefing on Espionage Indicators (NAO 207-12 Appendix A) at least annually or as required by the servicing Regional Security Officer.

Responsibilities of the Foreign National Sponsor:

1. Export Control - The foreign national's sponsor is responsible for obtaining any required export licenses and complying with any conditions of those licenses prior to the foreign national being provided access to the controlled technology onboard regardless of the technology's ownership.
2. The DSN of the foreign national shall assign an on-board Program individual, who will be responsible for the foreign national while on board. The identified individual must be a U.S. citizen, NOAA (or DOC) employee. According to DOC/OSY, this requirement cannot be altered.
3. Ensure completion and submission of Appendix C (Certification of Conditions and Responsibilities for a Foreign National

Appendices

1. Primary Project Instruction: OPR-B310-TJ-13, Approaches to New York, NY
2. Backup Project Instruction: OPR-B370-TJ-13, Eastern Long Island Sound, NY & CT
3. Backup Project Instruction: OPR-B363-TJ-13, Approaches to Block Island Sound, NY & CT

Hydrographic Survey Project Instructions

Project Name:	Approaches to New York, NY
Project Number:	OPR-B310-TJ-13
Assigned Field Unit:	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>
Assigned Processing Branch:	Atlantic Hydrographic Branch
Signed Date:	01/16/2013
Project Instructions Version:	Draft
Planned Acquisition Time:	Start Date: 03/2013 End Date: 05/2013
Delivery Dates:	120 days from completion of data acquisition.

Purpose and Location:
The purpose of this project is to provide contemporary surveys to update National Ocean Service (NOS) nautical charting products. This project will cover approximately 87 square nautical miles (SNM) Critical and Priority 1, 3, and 4 areas as identified in the 2012 NOAA Hydrographic Survey Priorities (NHSP) document.
Supporting Documents:
Hydrography shall consist of Navigable Area Surveys in accordance with the following support documents. Data from surveys is intended to supersede all prior survey data in the common area.
NOS Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables Manual (HSSD), April 2012
NOS Field Procedures Manual for Hydrographic Surveying (FPM), April 2012
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD) 2011-03: XML Reports
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD) 2012-2: Configuration Management
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD) 2012-5: CARIS 7.1

PERSONNEL SAFETY AND DATA QUALITY SHALL ALWAYS BE EMPHASIZED OVER DATA QUANTITY! THE HYDROGRAPHER SHALL NEVER SUBJECT PERSONNEL OR BOATS TO UNDUE RISKS AND HAZARDS.

Registry Details:						
General Locality: New York, NY						
Registry Number	Priority	Sublocality	State or Territory	Scale	Estimated SNM	Instructions
HXXXXXX	1	South of Long Beach	New York	10000	26	
HXXXXXX	2	6 NM South of Jones Inlet	New York	40000	33	
HXXXXXX	3	SW of Jones Beach Island	New York	10000	27	

Coverage & Limits:	
Inshore Limit: The inshore limit of hydrography will be the farthest offshore of the following: (1) the 4-meter depth contour or (2) the line defined by the distance seaward from the MHW line which is equivalent to 0.8 millimeters at the scale of the largest scale nautical chart.	
Coverage Type: Object Detection	
Instructions:	
Coverage Water Depth	Coverage Required
Inshore limit to 20 meters water depth	(1) 200% Side Scan Sonar (SSS) with concurrent Set Line Spacing Multibeam (MBES) and Backscatter, or (2) 200% SSS with concurrent Vertical Beam Schosounder (VBES), or (3) Object Detection MBES
Greater than 20 meters water depth	Complete MBES with concurrent Backscatter. Note that Object Detection coverage is not required in depths greater than 20 meters.

Assigned Tasks

Acknowledgement:
Acknowledge receipt of these instructions and submit any comments or questions via email to Lucy Hick at Lucy.Hick@noaa.gov.

Aids to Navigation (ATONs):	
Position ATONs assigned by the Marine Chart Division (MCD). The list of assigned ATONs will be provided with the project data from Operations Branch. Refer to section 3.5.3.3 and 5.2.3.3.4 of the FPM.	
Number of Priority ATONs Assigned by MCD:	0
Total Number of ATONs Assigned by MCD:	0

Feature Investigations:

Investigate AWOIS items in accordance with section 2.2.2.2 and 2.5.4.1 of the FPM. Investigate Maritime Boundary Points in accordance with section 3.5.6 of the FPM.

<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Information Only:</i>	4
<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Full Investigation:</i>	18
<i>Number of assigned Maritime Boundary Claim Items: (when safety permits, search inshore of the NALL line for these maritime boundary features)</i>	

Bottom Samples:

Obtain bottom samples in accordance with section 7.1 of the HSSD in areas designated by the feature object class springs (SPRING) in the Project Reference File (PRF). The field unit should review the recommended bottom sample locations with the survey data acquired. Contact HSD Operations Branch to discuss modifying the bottom sample plan if the data suggest more appropriate locations for the bottom samples to better differentiate varying bottom characteristics within the survey area when compared to the sample plan provided. This may increase or decrease the sample density but should closely maintain the same numbers of samples per survey as originally assigned.

Chart Comparison:

Use only the latest editions of the largest scale NOS charts covering the project area. These charts are listed below and will be included with project data from Operations Branch. Compare in accordance with section 4.5 of the FPM and section 8.1.4, D.1 of the HSSD. Resolve any discrepancies in the field and explain them in the Descriptive Report.

<i>Affected Raster Charts</i>					
<i>Chart Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition Number</i>	<i>Edition Date</i>	<i>LNK Date</i>	<i>NM Date</i>
12326	80000	51	05/2009	04/07/2009	04/18/2009
12350	20000	60	08/2011	07/26/2011	08/06/2011
12352	20000	34	09/2012	08/21/2012	09/01/2010
<i>Affected ENCs</i>					
<i>ENC Name</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition</i>	<i>Update Application Date</i>	<i>Issue Date</i>	<i>Preliminary</i>
US4NY1AM	80000	26	11/30/2012	11/30/2012	NO
US5NY50M	20000	17	11/30/2012	11/30/2012	NO
US5NY53M	20000	10	12/05/2012	12/05/2012	NO

Coast Pilot:

Review and make recommendations for changes to the Coast Pilot excerpts downloaded from the Coast Pilot website (<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/ncd/cpdownload.htm>). Submit the revised Coast Pilot section or a report stating no changes are recommended, via email to Coast.Pilot@noaa.gov with a copy to the project planner and the assigned Processing Branch. The report should be submitted as soon as possible following field work for the project. NOAA field units should refer to sections 3.5.7 and 5.2.2.2.5 of the FPM for more information.

Dangers to Navigation (DTONs):

Generate DTON reports in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.3. DTON reports should be sent to ocs.ndb@noaa.gov. It is of paramount importance that DTONs be reported as soon as possible.

Junctions:

Junction with data from the surveys listed below. Refer to sections 2.2.2.6 and 4.5.2 of the FPM.

<i>Registry Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Platform</i>	<i>Relative Location</i>
H12138	10000	2009	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	W
H12158	40000	2009	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	S

Progress Reports:

Email monthly progress reports in accordance with section 5.2.2.2.1 of the FPM to progress.sketches@noaa.gov with a copy to the chief of the assigned Processing Branch. The submittal is due within 5 days after the end of each month.

Survey Outlines:

Generate a survey outline in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.2. Send survey outlines to survey.outlines@noaa.gov.

Horizontal Control Requirements:

Horizontal control shall meet requirements in Section 3 of the HSSD.

Vertical Control Requirements:***Discrete Zoning***

Comply with the requirements from CO-OPS which are included with the project data from the Operations Branch. Submit surveys with final approved water levels applied. Contact the Operations Branch if this causes the survey to miss a submission deadline.

NWLON Gauges

<i>Operating Water Level Station</i>	<i>Station ID</i>
Sandy Hook, NJ	853-1680

Orthometric Imagery:

No Orthometric Imagery has been provided for this project.

Shoreline and Nearshore Features:

A limited shoreline verification will be accomplished using the composite source file (CSF). Preliminary analysis of the nautical chart and imagery from BING was conducted at HSD OPS. The shoreline south of Jones Beach State Park appears to have shifted southward. All other submerged or visible cultural features inside the limit of survey shall be verified. All features with attribute asgnmt populated with 'Assigned' shall be verified even if they are inshore of NALL. For reference, prior survey features are provided in S57 format. See section 3.5.5.2.2 of the FPM.

Number of Assigned Features:

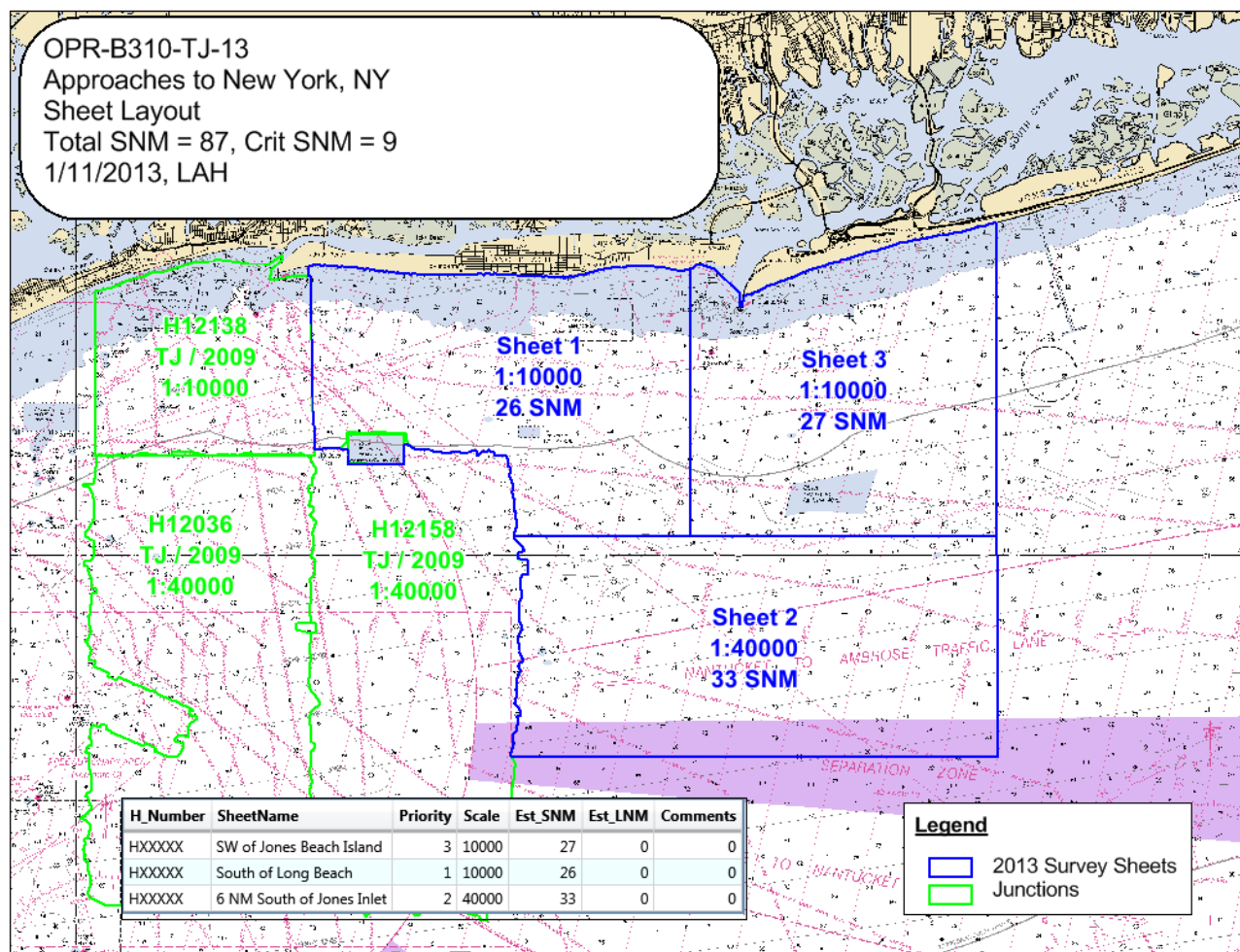


Figure: 1 - OPR-B310-TJ-13 Sheet Layout

User Contacts

The following primary offices and persons shall be contacted at or near the beginning and end of the field operations to discuss survey objectives and accomplishment (Mandatory) or are listed for contact at the discretion of the Commanding Officer (Reference).

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WATER LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS

**OPR-B310-TJ-2013 Approaches to New York, NY
(12/06/2013 CU)**

1.0. TIDES AND WATER LEVELS

1.1. Specifications

Tidal data acquisition, data processing, tidal datum computation and final tidal zoning shall be performed utilizing sound engineering and oceanographic practices as specified in National Ocean Service (NOS) Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables (HSSD), dated April 2013, and OCS Field Procedures Manual (FPM), dated April 2012. Specifically reference Chapter 4 of the HSSD and Sections 1.5.8, 1.5.9, 2.4.3, and 3.4.2 of the FPM.

1.2. Vertical Datums

The tidal datums for this project are referenced to Chart Datum, Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) and Mean High Water (MHW). Soundings are referenced to MLLW and heights of overhead obstructions (bridges and cables) are referenced to MHW.

1.2.1. Water Level Data Acquisition Monitoring

The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) and the Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) are jointly responsible for ensuring that valid water level data are collected during periods of hydrography. The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) is required to monitor the pertinent water level data via the CO-OPS Web site at <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro.shtml>, email data transmissions through TIDEBOT, or through regular communications with CO-OPS/Engineering Division (ED) personnel before and during operations. During traditional non duty hours, the Commanding Officer/Team Leader may contact the Continuous Operational Real-Time Monitoring System (CORMS) watch stander who is available 24 hours/day - 7 days/week for assistance in assessing the status of applicable water level station operation. The CORMS watch stander may be contacted either by phone at 301-713-2540 or by Email: CORMS@noaa.gov. Problems or concerns regarding the acquisition of valid water level data identified by the Commanding Officer/Team Leader shall be communicated with CO-OPS/ED (Colleen Roche at 301-713-2897 x137, Email: nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov) to coordinate the appropriate course of action to be taken such as gauge repair and/or developing contingency plans for hydrographic survey operations. In addition, CO-OPS is required to coordinate with the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) before interrupting the acquisition of water level data for the NWLON stations mentioned above for any reason during periods of hydrography.

1.2.2. The Hydro Hot List (HHL)

Please contact CO-OPS' Hydrographic Planning Team (HPT) at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov and CO-OPS' Operational Engineering Team (OET) at nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov at least three business days before survey operations begin, and within 1 business day after survey operations are completed so that the appropriate CO-OPS National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON) control water level station(s), as well as any required subordinate station(s), is/are added to or removed from the CO-OPS Hydro Hotlist (HHL) (<http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro>). Include start and end survey dates, full project number (e.g. OPR-H355-TJ-10), and control and subordinate station numbers. The notification must be

sent to both teams as OET is responsible for configuring the station in the CO-OPS data base and HPT manages the addition and removal of stations from the HHL.

Station	Station ID	Control or Subordinate	Type (e.g. NWLON, PORTS©, etc)	Comment
Sandy Hook, NJ	8531680	Control	NWLON	Note that Sandy Hook was destroyed in Sandy. Presumably it will be reinstalled in time for FY13 survey operations. Contact HPT before starting survey operations for a status update.

Table 1: All stations that need to be added to the HHL in support of B310-TJ-2013

It is important to know that the addition of a water level station to the HHL ensures the station is monitored by CORMS and any problems are reported daily. However, platforms should view the HHL each morning of active survey operations and click on the eyeball icon to double check that there are no problems with the required stations on that day. If a platform notices problems with data on their survey day of operation, please contact HPT at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov, CORMS at CORMS@noaa.gov, and their respective headquarters point of contact at HSD or NSD. Stations on the HHL are given priority for maintenance should a station cease normal operation during scheduled times of hydrography. CO-OPS will notify a field unit within 1 business day if a HHL water level station ceases operation during scheduled times of hydrography. This is in addition to the daily CORMS report that CORMS sends to NOAA field units, if the field unit's e-mail address is added to the CORM's daily e-mail list. To be added to the CORMS daily HHL report, the platform should contact CO-OPS' Data Monitoring and Analysis Team (DMAT) at nos.co-ops.dmat@noaa.gov and request to be added.

If the stations are listed on HHL, then weekly priority processing will occur and, for those water level stations, verified 6-minute water level data will be made available every week on Monday or Tuesday. If Monday happens to be a federal holiday, then the 6-minute verified water level data will be made available on the following Tuesday or Wednesday.

1.3. Tide Reducer Stations

1.3.1. CO-OPS Long Term Water Level Station Operation and Maintenance

The NWLON station, Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680), will provide water level reducers for this project. Therefore it is critical that it remain in operation during the survey. See Sections 1.1. and 1.2. concerning responsibilities.

No leveling is required at Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680) by NOAA's THOMAS JEFFERSON personnel.

CO-OPS/FOD is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all NWLON primary control stations. If a problem is identified at an NWLON primary control station, FOD shall make all reasonable efforts to repair the malfunctioning station. However, CO-OPS may request assistance from the NOAA ship or NRT personnel in the actual repair of the water level station to

facilitate a rapid repair. CO-OPS/FOD and the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) shall maintain the required communications until the repairs to the water level station have been completed.

1.3.2. Subordinate Station Requirements

No subordinate water level stations are required for this project, however, supplemental and/or back-up water level stations may be necessary depending on the complexity of the hydrodynamics and/or the severity of the environmental conditions of the project area. The installation and continuous operation of water level measurement systems (tide gauges) at subordinate station locations is left to the discretion of the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader), subject to the approval of CO-OPS. If the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) decides to install additional water level stations, then a 30-day minimum of continuous data acquisition is required. For all subordinate stations, data must be collected throughout the entire survey period for which they are applicable, and not less than 30 continuous days. This is necessary to facilitate the computation of an accurate datum reference as per NOS standards.

1.3.3. Tide Component Error Estimation

The estimated tidal error contribution to the total survey error budget in the vicinity of Approaches to New York, NY is 0.16 meters at the 95% confidence level, and includes the estimated gauge measurement error, tidal datum computation error, and tidal zoning error. It should be noted that the tidal error component can be significantly greater than stated if a substantial meteorological event or condition should occur during time of hydrography.

1.3.4. GOES Satellite Enabled Subordinate Stations

This section is not applicable for this project.

1.3.5. Benchmark Recovery and GPS Requirements

This section is not applicable for this project.

1.3.6. This section is not applicable for this project.

1.4. Discrete Tidal Zoning

1.4.1. The water level station at Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680) is the reference station for preliminary tides for hydrography in Approaches to New York, NY. The time and height correctors listed below for applicable zones should be applied to the preliminary data at Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680) during the acquisition and preliminary processing phases of this project. **Preliminary data may be retrieved in one month increments over the Internet from the CO-OPS SOAP web services at <http://opendap.co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/axis/text.html>.** The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) must notify CO-OPS/ED personnel immediately of any problems concerning the preliminary tides. Preliminary data are six-minute time series data relative to MLLW in metric units on Greenwich Mean Time. For the time corrections, a negative (-) time correction indicates that the time of tide in that zone is earlier than (before) the preliminary tides at the reference station. A positive (+) time correction indicates that the time of tide in that zone is later than (after) the predicted tides at the reference station. For height corrections, the water level heights **relative to MLLW** at the reference station are multiplied by the range ratio to estimate the water level heights relative to MLLW in the applicable zone.

<u>Zone</u>	<u>Time Corrector(mins)</u>	<u>Range Ratio</u>	<u>Predicted Reference Station</u>
SA2	-24	x0.96	8531680
SA3	-30	x0.91	8531680
SA4	-30	x0.87	8531680
SA5	-30	x0.83	8531680
SA12	-36	x0.83	8531680
SA13	-36	x0.87	8531680
SA14	-36	x0.91	8531680

1.4.2. Polygon nodes and water level corrections referencing Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680) are provided in CARIS[®] format denoted by a *.zdf extension file name.

NOTE: The tide corrector values referenced to Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680) are provided in the zoning file “B310TJ2013CORP” for this project and are in the fourth set of correctors designated as TS4. Longitude and latitude coordinates are in decimal degrees. Negative (-) longitude is a MapInfo[®] representation of West longitude.

“Preliminary” data for the control water level station, Sandy Hook, NJ (8531680), are available in near real-time and verified data will be available on a weekly basis for the previous week. **These water level data may be obtained from the CO-OPS SOAP web services at <http://opendap.co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/axis/text.html>.**

1.4.3 Zoning Diagram(s)

Zoning diagrams, created in MapInfo[®] and Adobe PDF, are provided in digital format to assist with the zoning in section 1.4.1.

1.4.4 Final Zoning

Upon completion of project OPR-B310-TJ-2013, submit a Pydro generated request for final tides, with times of hydrography abstract and mid/mif tracklines attached. Forward this request to Final.Tides@noaa.gov . Provide the project number, as well as a sheet number, in the subject line of the email.

CO-OPS will review the times of hydrography, final tracklines, and six-minute water level data from all applicable water level gauges. After review, CO-OPS will send a notice indicating that the tidal zoning scheme sent with the project instructions has been approved for final zoning. If there are any discrepancies, CO-OPS will make the appropriate adjustments and forward a revised tidal zoning scheme to the field group and project manager for final processing.

1.5 TideBot and Fetchtides

Preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data may be retrieved from the CO-OPS database via the TideBot application. TideBot delivers timely preliminary/verified tidal and Great Lakes six minute water level observations via email to users on a scheduled, recurring basis. To access TideBot through an email account, send an email to TideBot@noaa.gov with the word “help” as the subject. An email reply will be sent with instructions on how to subscribe to TideBot for time series data retrieval.

Alternately, users may download preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data from the CO-OPS database via the Fetchtides application. Fetchtides provides a mechanism to store imported data locally and combine multiple days worth of data into one CARIS readable tide (.tid) file. Fetchtides is available for download at Hydrosoft Online (<https://inside.nos.noaa.gov/hydrosoft/hydrosoftware.html>). For more information, please see the Fetchtides User Manual in the FPM chapter 3 appendix.

1.6 Water Level Records

This section is not applicable for this project.

Preliminary Tidal Zoning for OPR-B310-TJ-2013 Approaches to New York, NY

UNITED STATES - EAST COAST
NEW YORK - NEW JERSEY

APPROACHES TO NEW YORK

SA2
Time Corrector -24 mins
Range Corrector x 0.96
Reference 8531680

SA3
Time Corrector -30 mins
Range Corrector x 0.91
Reference 8531680

SA4
Time Corrector -30 mins
Range Corrector x 0.87
Reference 8531680

SA5
Time Corrector -30 mins
Range Corrector x 0.83
Reference 8531680

SA12
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.83
Reference 8531680

SA13
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.87
Reference 8531680

SA14
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.91
Reference 8531680

8531680 SANDY HOOK

SA4
Time Corrector -30 mins
Range Corrector x 0.87
Reference 8531680

SA12
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.83
Reference 8531680

SA13
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.87
Reference 8531680

SA14
Time Corrector -36 mins
Range Corrector x 0.91
Reference 8531680

-8531680 SANDY HOOK

Hydrographic Survey Project Instructions

Project Name:	Eastern Long Island Sound
Project Number:	OPR-B370-TJ-13
Assigned Field Unit:	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>
Assigned Processing Branch:	Atlantic Hydrographic Branch
Signed Date:	01/07/2013
Project Instructions Version:	Draft
Planned Acquisition Time:	Start Date: 03/2013 End Date: 05/2013
Delivery Dates:	120 days from completion of data acquisition.

Purpose and Location:

This project is being conducted in support of NOAA's Office of Coast Survey to provide contemporary hydrographic data in order to update the nautical charting products and reduce the survey backlog within the area. In addition, data from this project will support the Long Island Sound Seafloor Mapping Initiative in New York and Connecticut. This project will cover approximately 61 nm² of which 48 nm² are critical survey areas as designated in the NOAA Hydrographic Survey Priorities, 2012 edition.

Supporting Documents:

Hydrography shall consist of Navigable Area Surveys in accordance with the following support documents. Data from surveys is intended to supersede all prior survey data in the common area.

NOS Field Procedures Manual for Hydrographic Surveying (FPM), April 2012

NOS Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables Manual (HSSD), April 2012

Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2012-2 Config Mgmt

Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2011-3 XML Reports

Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2012-1 CARIS 7.1

PERSONNEL SAFETY AND DATA QUALITY SHALL ALWAYS BE EMPHASIZED OVER DATA QUANTITY! THE HYDROGRAPHER SHALL NEVER SUBJECT PERSONNEL OR BOATS TO UNDUE RISKS AND HAZARDS.

Registry Details:						
General Locality: Long Island Sound						
Registry Number	Priority	Sublocality	State or Territory	Scale	Estimated SNM	Instructions
H12482	1	Jacobs Pt to Mattituck Inlet	New York	20000	25	Survey operations conducted on this sheet requires a subordinate tide gauge, see Vertical Control
H12483	2	Mattituck Inlet to Greenport	New York	20000	20	Survey operations conducted on this sheet requires a subordinate tide gauge, see Vertical Control
H12485	3	Joshua Cove to Mansfield Pt	Connecticut	10000	16	

Coverage & Limits:	
Inshore Limit: The inshore limit of hydrography will be the farthest offshore of the following: (1) the 4-meter depth contour or (2) the line defined by the distance seaward from the MHW line which is equivalent to 0.8 millimeters at the scale of the largest scale nautical chart.	
Coverage Type: Object Detection	
Instructions:	
Coverage Water Depth	Coverage Required
4 meters to 20 meters water depth	200% SSS with concurrent Set Line Spacing SBES or MBES with Backscatter, or Object Detection MBES with Backscatter
Greater than 20 meters water depth	Multibeam with Backscatter

Assigned Tasks

Acknowledgement:
Acknowledge receipt of these instructions and submit any comments or questions via email to Paul Turner at Paul.Turner@noaa.gov.

Aids to Navigation (ATONs):
There are no ATONs specifically assigned for this project. Any ATONs located within the survey area should be verified so that they serve their intended purpose in accordance with section 7.2 of the HSSD.

Feature Investigations:

Investigate AWOIS items in accordance with section 2.2.2.2 and 2.5.4.1 of the FPM. Investigate Maritime Boundary Points in accordance with section 3.5.6 of the FPM.

<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Information Only:</i>	0
<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Full Investigation:</i>	9
<i>Number of assigned Maritime Boundary Claim Items: (when safety permits, search inshore of the NALL line for these maritime boundary features)</i>	0

Bottom Samples:

Obtain bottom samples in accordance with section 7.1 of the HSSD in areas designated by the feature object class springs (SPRING) in the Project Reference File (PRF). The field unit should review the recommended bottom sample locations with the survey data acquired. Contact HSD Operations Branch to discuss modifying the bottom sample plan if the data suggest more appropriate locations for the bottom samples to better differentiate varying bottom characteristics within the survey area when compared to the sample plan provided. This may increase or decrease the sample density but should closely maintain the same numbers of samples per survey as originally assigned.

Chart Comparison:

Use only the latest editions of the largest scale NOS charts covering the project area. These charts are listed below and will be included with project data from Operations Branch. Compare in accordance with section 4.5 of the FPM and section 8.1.4, D.1 of the HSSD. Resolve any discrepancies in the field and explain them in the Descriptive Report.

<i>Affected Raster Charts</i>					
<i>Chart Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition Number</i>	<i>Edition Date</i>	<i>LNМ Date</i>	<i>NM Date</i>
12354	80000	44	05/2012	05/01/2012	05/12/2012
12358	40000	21	07/2011	06/28/2011	07/09/2011
12372	40000	35	09/2011	08/30/2011	09/03/2011
12373	20000	15	07/2005	06/14/2005	06/18/2005
<i>Affected ENCѕ</i>					
<i>ENC Name</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition</i>	<i>Update Application Date</i>	<i>Issue Date</i>	<i>Preliminary</i>
US4NY1GM	80000	24	12/06/2012	12/06/2012	NO
US4NY1JM	80000	5	09/19/2012	12/07/2012	NO
US5CN14M	20000	13	12/05/2012	12/05/2012	NO
US5CN15M	20000	9	07/10/2012	12/07/2012	NO
US5NY1IM	40000	5	07/17/2012	10/19/2012	NO

Coast Pilot:

Review and make recommendations for changes to the Coast Pilot excerpts downloaded from the Coast Pilot Web site (<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm>). Submit the revised Coast Pilot section or a report stating no changes are recommended, via email to Coast.Pilot@noaa.gov with a copy to the project planner and the assigned Processing Branch. The report should be submitted as soon as possible following field work for the project. NOAA field units should refer to sections 3.5.7 and 5.2.2.2.5 of the FPM for more information.

Dangers to Navigation (DTONs):

Generate DTON reports in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.3. DTON reports should be sent to ocs.ndb@noaa.gov. It is of paramount importance that DTONs be reported as soon as possible.

Junctions:

Junction with data from the surveys listed below. Refer to sections 2.2.2.6 and 4.5.2 of the FPM.

<i>Registry Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Platform</i>	<i>Relative Location</i>
H11011	10000	2000	NOAA Ship <i>Rude</i>	W
H11043	10000	2001	NOAA Ship <i>Rude</i>	W
H11252	20000	2004	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	E
H11255	10000	2004	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	S
H11360	10000	2004	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	S
H10930	10000	1999	NOAA Ship <i>Rude</i>	S
H11251	10000	2008	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	E
H11999	10000	2008	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	E
H12480	20000	2012	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	W
H12479	10000	2012	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	W
H11484	10000	2012	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	E

Progress Reports:

Email monthly progress reports in accordance with section 5.2.2.2.1 of the FPM to progress.sketches@noaa.gov with a copy to the chief of the assigned Processing Branch. The submittal is due within 5 days after the end of each month.

Survey Outlines:

Generate a survey outline in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.2. Survey outlines should be sent to survey.outlines@noaa.gov and shall also be included with the final survey deliverables in Separates II of the Descriptive Report (see Section 8.1.4 for further guidance).

Horizontal Control Requirements:

Horizontal control shall meet requirements in Section 3 of the HSSD.

Vertical Control Requirements:

Installation of the subordinate gauge (Hashamomuck Beach, NY 851-2053), is required for survey operations conducted on sheets: H12482 and H12483.

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Comply with the requirements from CO-OPS which are included with the project data from the Operations Branch. Submit surveys with final approved water levels applied. Contact the Operations Branch if this causes the survey to miss a submission deadline.

NWLON Gauges

<i>Operating Water Level Station</i>	<i>Station ID</i>
New Haven	846-5705
New London	846-1490

Subordinate Gauges

<i>Operating Water Level Station</i>	<i>Station ID</i>	<i>Leveling Required</i>	<i>Installation Required</i>	<i>Pre-Existing Benchmarks</i>
Hashamomuck Beach, NY	851-2053	YES	YES	YES

Orthometric Imagery:

No Orthometric Imagery has been provided for this project.

Shoreline and Nearshore Features:

A limited shoreline verification will be accomplished using the composite source file (CSF). Preliminary analysis using imagery and the nautical chart was conducted at HSD OPS. All other submerged or visible cultural features inside the limit of survey shall be verified. All features with attribute 'asgnmt' populated with 'Assigned' shall be addressed even if they are inshore of NALL. For reference, prior survey features are provided in MapInfo and S57 format on the project CD. See section 3.5.5.2.2 of the FPM.

Number of Assigned Features:

User Contacts

The following primary offices and persons shall be contacted at or near the beginning and end of the field operations to discuss survey objectives and accomplishment (Mandatory) or are listed for contact at the discretion of the Commanding Officer (Reference).

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Obligation: For Reference

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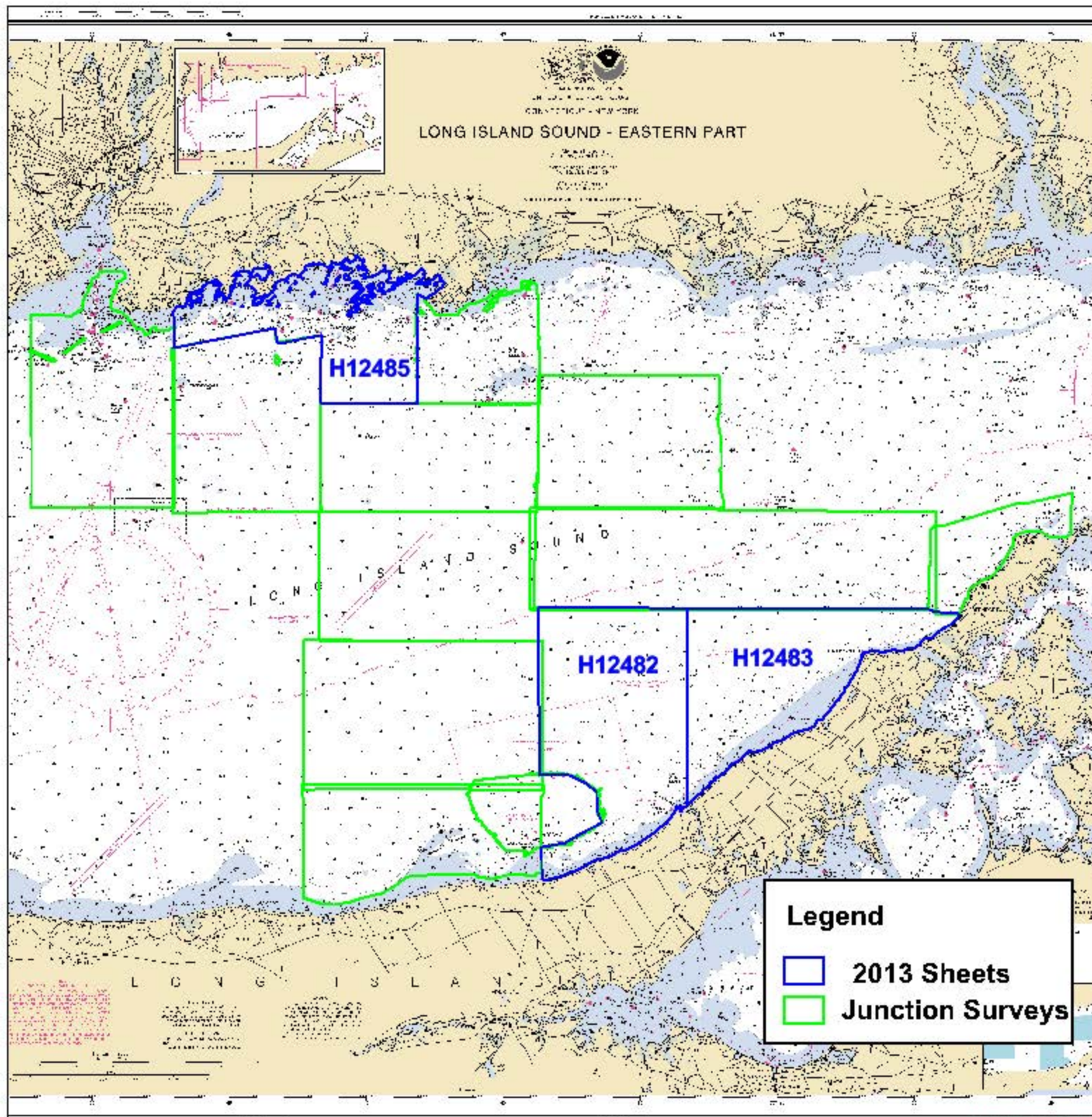
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Sheet Layout

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Total SNM - 61
Critical Area SNM - 48
Total LNM - 2500



WATER LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS

**OPR-B370-TJ-2013 Eastern long Island Sound, NY & CT
(12/28/2012 CU)**

1.0. TIDES AND WATER LEVELS

1.1. Specifications

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1.2. Vertical Datums

The tidal datums for this project are referenced to Chart Datum, Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) and Mean High Water (MHW). Soundings are referenced to MLLW and heights of overhead obstructions (bridges and cables) are referenced to MHW.

1.2.1. Water Level Data Acquisition Monitoring

The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) and the Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) are jointly responsible for ensuring that valid water level data are collected during periods of hydrography. The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) is required to monitor the pertinent water level data via the CO-OPS Web site at <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro.shtml>, email data transmissions through TIDEBOT, or through regular communications with CO-OPS/Engineering Division (ED) personnel before and during operations. During traditional non duty hours, the Commanding Officer/Team Leader may contact the Continuous Operational Real-Time Monitoring System (CORMS) watch stander who is available 24 hours/day - 7 days/week for assistance in assessing the status of applicable water level station operation. The CORMS watch stander may be contacted either by phone at 301-713-2540 or by Email: CORMS@noaa.gov. Problems or concerns regarding the acquisition of valid water level data identified by the Commanding Officer/Team Leader shall be communicated with CO-OPS/ED (Colleen Roche, 301-713-2900 ext. 137, Email: nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov) to coordinate the appropriate course of action to be taken such as gauge repair and/or developing contingency plans for hydrographic survey operations. In addition, CO-OPS is required to coordinate with the Commanding Officer/Team Leader before interrupting the acquisition of water level data for the NWLON gauges mentioned above for any reason during periods of hydrography.

1.2.2. The Hydro Hot List (HHL)

Please contact CO-OPS' Hydrographic Planning Team (HPT) at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov and CO-OPS' Operational Engineering Team (OET) at nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov at least three business days before survey operations begin, and within 1 business day after survey operations are completed so that the appropriate CO-OPS National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON) control water level station(s), as well as any required subordinate station(s), is/are added to or removed from the CO-OPS Hydro Hotlist (HHL) (<http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro>). Include start and end survey dates, full project number (e.g. OPR-H355-TJ-10), and control and subordinate station numbers. The notification must be

sent to both teams as OET is responsible for configuring the station in the CO-OPS data base and HPT manages the addition and removal of stations from the HHL.

Station	Station ID	Control or Subordinate	Type (e.g. NWLON, PORTS [®] , etc)	Comment
New London	8461490	Control	NWLON	
New Haven	8465705	Control	PORTS [®]	

Table 1: All stations that need to be added to the HHL in support of B370-TJ-2013

It is important to know that the addition of a water level station to the HHL ensures the station is monitored by CORMS and any problems are reported daily. However, platforms should view the HHL each morning of active survey operations and click on the eyeball icon to double check that there are not problems with the required stations on that day. If a platform notices problems with data on their survey day of operation, please contact HPT at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov, CORMS at CORMS@noaa.gov, and their respective headquarters point of contact at HSD or NSD. Stations on the HHL are given priority for maintenance should a station cease normal operation during scheduled times of hydrography. CO-OPS will notify a field unit within 1 business day if a HHL water level station ceases operation during scheduled times of hydrography. This is in addition to the daily CORMS report that CORMS sends to NOAA field units, if the field unit's e-mail address is added to the CORM's daily e-mail list. To be added to the CORMS daily HHL report, the platform should contact CO-OPS' Data Monitoring and Analysis Team (DMAT) at nos.co-ops.dmat@noaa.gov and request to be added.

If the stations are listed on HHL, then weekly priority processing will occur and, for those water level stations, verified 6-minute water level data will be made available every week on Monday or Tuesday. If Monday happens to be a federal holiday, then the 6-minute verified water level data will be made available on the following Tuesday or Wednesday.

1.3. Tide Reducer Stations

1.3.1. CO-OPS Long Term Water Level Station Operation and Maintenance

The NWLON and PORTS[®] stations, New London, CT (8461490) and New Haven, CT (8465705), will provide water level reducers for this project. Therefore it is critical that they remain in operation during the survey. See Sections 1.1. and 1.2. concerning responsibilities.

No leveling is required at New London, CT (8461490) and New Haven, CT (8465705) by NOAA's THOMAS JEFFERSON personnel.

CO-OPS/FOD is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all NWLON primary control stations. If a problem is identified at an NWLON primary control station, FOD shall make all reasonable efforts to repair the malfunctioning station. However, CO-OPS may request assistance from the NOAA ship or NRT personnel in the actual repair of the water level station to facilitate a rapid repair. CO-OPS/FOD and the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) shall maintain the required communications until the repairs to the water level station have been completed.

1.3.2. Subordinate Station Requirements

For this project, it will be necessary to install and continuously operate water level measurement systems (tide gauges) at one or more approved subordinate station locations. These subordinate

stations identified for hydrography or photogrammetry are required to be installed to provide the tidal datums, water level reducers, refinement of final zoning, and harmonic constituents for predictions needed to meet NOS hydrographic specifications' accuracies as well as to support other NOAA objectives. The stations listed in Section 1.2. will provide control for datum computations at subordinate stations by using the NOS method of comparison of simultaneous observations.

A 30-day minimum of continuous data acquisition is required for all required subordinate station installations. If the data is collected for less than 30 days at the required subordinate stations, then according to the operating guidelines and business rules, CO-OPS may not publish tidal datums and bench marks sheet. This means CO-OPS may not be able to provide smooth tides (tide reducers) for less than 30 days of valid and good data. Since all data including water level data collected for hydrographic or photogrammetry surveys is used to derive products that support various NOS multipurpose applications, collection of minimum of 30-days of data is a crucial requirement.

For all subordinate stations, data must be collected throughout the entire survey period in specified areas for which they are applicable, from 4 hours before to 4 hours after the period of hydrography and not less than 30 continuous days. If the subordinate tide gauges are required to support the TCARI process, then all the gauges are required to collect the data for the entire period of the survey (in addition to the 30 day requirement) because the TCARI tidal grid is developed based upon all the gauges. This is necessary not only to facilitate the computation of an accurate datum reference as per NOS hydrographic specifications (<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/hsd/specs/specs.htm>), but also to ensure a functional data set that meets CO-OPS' multi-purpose products use and dissemination standards.

Additionally, supplemental and/or back-up stations may also be necessary based upon the complexity of the hydrodynamics and/or the severity of environmental conditions at the project area. If the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) determines that additional or alternative water level stations are necessary to those required by CO-OPS, then he or she must coordinate with CO-OPS to obtain CO-OPS' approval and to define the timing and location of the additional or alternative subordinate station(s). For all subordinate stations that are approved and installed, a minimum of 30 continuous days of data must be collected throughout the entire survey period for which they are applicable. If the minimum 30-day data collection requirement is not met, CO-OPS may not be able to provide the tide reducers for the survey.

Since NOS uses the data and products derived from the operational NOS Hydrographic Surveys Program, installation of training gauges is discouraged during the operations. Also for training purposes, only Temporary Bench Marks (TBM) shall be installed and permanent bench marks shall not be installed. CO-OPS will not publish water level datums on TBM and CO-OPS is not required to provide data processing for training gauges. Any gauges required for providing tide reducers either via TCARI or discrete tidal zoning shall not be considered training gauges.

All additions and modifications to the original subordinate gauge installation requirements shall be documented via an amendment to the Project Instructions. Delivery of the amended Project Instructions to OCS's Hydrographic Surveys Division Operations Branch will signify CO-OPS' approval of the additions and/or modifications to the gauge installations requirements.

The following subordinate station is required:

<u>Station Number</u>	<u>Station Name</u>	<u>Latitude (N)</u>	<u>Longitude (W)</u>
8512053 *	Hashamomuck Beach, NY	41° 05.7'	72° 23.9'

* Historical water level station information has been provided for these stations.

1.3.3. Tide Component Error Estimation

This section is not applicable for this project. Tidal Constituent And Residual Interpolator (TCARI) automatically calculates the error associated with water level interpolation. This error is incorporated into the residual/harmonic solutions and included in the Total Propagated Error (TPE) for the survey.

1.3.4. GOES Satellite Enabled Subordinate Stations

In the event that water level stations with Geostationary Operational Environmental Satellite (GOES) capability are utilized, information about the station is needed at CO-OPS so that the station(s) can be configured in CO-OPS' Data Management System (DMS) before GOES data transmission is started. A minimum of two weeks prior to initiating data transmission, please contact the CO-OPS/ED (Colleen Roche) at 301-713-2897 ext. 137 or FAX 301-713-4465 or email nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov and provide the station number, platform ID, transmit time and channel. In addition, FAX a copy or email a digital copy of the site report before beginning transmission.

Whenever a station number needs to be assigned, the field party should provide the latitude and longitude of the location where a tide gauge will be installed to the Operational Engineering Team (OET; nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov) at least 3 days before the installation. OET will assign a new tide station number and provide that promptly (within 1 business day) to the field party.

GOES data transmissions must use a message format identical to the format currently implemented in NOS' Next Generation Water Level Measurement System (NGWLMS). Refer to Section 1.1. for information on the NGWLMS data format. The document, **NGWLMS GOES MESSAGE FORMATTING**, found under the Publications option of the CO-OPS web site at <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/> will give an explanation of the NGWLMS GOES message format.

The following preliminary satellite antenna pointing angles are provided for the stations in Sections 1.3.1. to facilitate GOES satellite transmission. Complete GOES information will be provided after the station location is finalized and reported to CO-OPS/ED . If a suitable site for transmitting via satellite cannot be found within the required area, then a station should be established within the area and the data downloaded onto diskette/CD and forwarded to CO-OPS/ED. As a backup for all stations, data must be forwarded to CO-OPS/ED on diskette.

<u>STATION</u>	<u>GOES East</u>	<u>GOES East & Central</u>
8512053	ELEV. 42.4° AZIMUTH(T) 184.0°	ELEV. 39.2° AZIMUTH(T) 205.8°

1.3.5. Benchmark Recovery and GPS Requirements

Recover all historical bench marks at each required subordinate water level station. If a total of five benchmarks cannot be found, install the number of benchmarks necessary for the subordinate station to have the total five benchmarks. In the event of a new station with no historical marks, installation of a minimum of five bench marks will be required. Third-order levels from the tide staff or sensor to a minimum of five bench marks (including the primary bench mark) are required at the beginning and end of the survey period. See Section 1.1. for clarification of requirements.

1.3.5.1. Hand held GPS latitude and longitude positions on all historical subordinate water level station bench marks are required. In addition, one of the subordinate water level station bench marks shall be selected for high accuracy static differential GPS observations to obtain ties between the tidal datums and GPS derived datums. Refer to Section 1.1 for further details on the GPS positioning requirements.

1.3.6. Residual Water Level Station(s) Data

Tidal Constituent And Residual Interpolation (TCARI) method uses harmonic constituents and residuals from historical and operating water level stations to provide precise water level correction for bathymetric surveys. Download the Preliminary/Verified data at following water level station(s) data for all periods of survey.

The operating stations at New London, CT (8461490) and New Haven, CT (8465705) will provide residuals for this project and must remain in operation during all periods of hydrography.

<u>Station Number</u>	<u>Station Name</u>	<u>Latitude(N)</u>	<u>Longitude(W)</u>
8461490	New London, CT	41 ° 21.7'	72° 05.4'
8465705	New Haven, CT	41 ° 17.0'	72° 54.5'

1.4. Tidal Constituent and Residual Interpolation (TCARI)

1.4.1. For hydrography in the area of Eastern Long Island Sound, apply the TCARI grid "B370TJ2013.tc" supplied in conjunction with the water level data from Section 1.3.6 to produce a seamless tide correction. Refer to the TCARI Field SOP for detailed TCARI instructions.

1.4.2. This section is not applicable for this project.

1.4.3. TCARI Diagram(s)

A diagram created in Pydro, is provided in digital copy format to assist with the information provided in section 1.4.1.

1.4.4. TCARI Final Solutions

Upon completion of project, submit a Pydro generated request for smooth tides, with times of hydrography abstract and mid/mif tracklines attached. Forward this request to final.tides@noaa.gov. Provide the project number, as well as sheet number, in the subject line of the email.

CO-OPS will review the times of hydrography, final tracklines, and six-minute water level data from all applicable water level gauges. If there are any discrepancies, CO-OPS will make the appropriate adjustments and forward a revised TCARI grid and solutions to the field group and processing branch for final processing.

1.5. TideBot

Preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data may be retrieved from the CO-OPS database via TideBot application. TideBot delivers timely preliminary/verified tidal and Great Lakes six minute water level observations via email to users on a scheduled, recurring basis. To access TideBot through an email account, send an email to TideBot@noaa.gov with the word "help" as the subject. An email reply will be sent with instructions on how to subscribe to TideBot for time series data retrieval. Six minute preliminary and verified data may also be retrieved in one month increments over the internet from the CO-OPS SOAP web services at <http://opendap.co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/axis/text.html> by clicking on "Six Minute Data".

Alternately, users may download preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data from the CO-OPS database via the Fetchtides application. Fetchtides provides a mechanism to store imported data locally and combine multiple days worth of data into one CARIS readable tide (.tid) file. Fetchtides is available for download at Hydrosoft Online (<https://inside.nos.noaa.gov/hydrosoft/hydrosoftware.html>). For more information, please see the Fetchtides User Manual in the FPM chapter 3 appendix.

1.6 Water Level Records

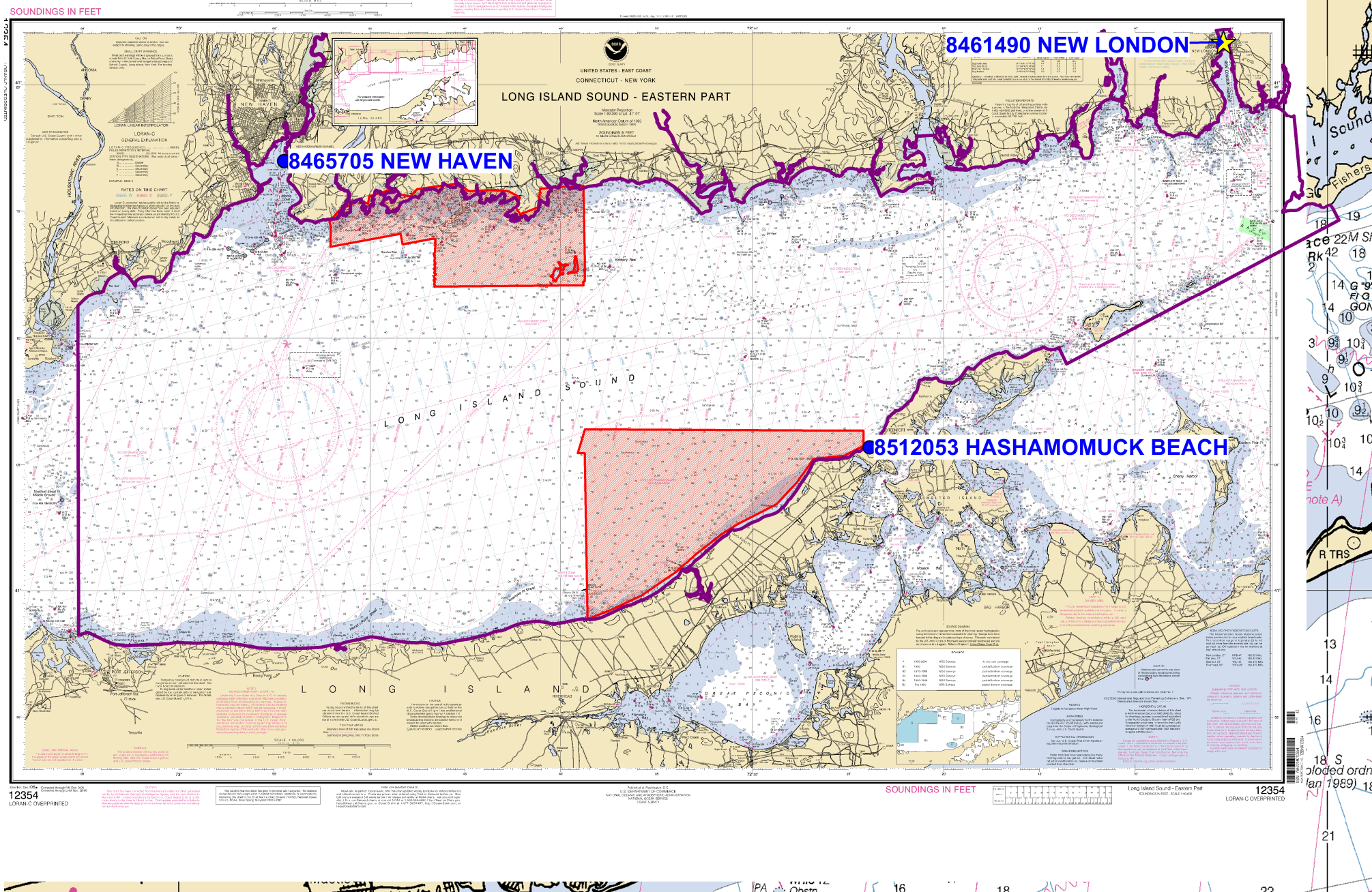
Submit water level data, such as leveling records, field reports, and any other relevant data/reports, including the data downloaded onto diskette/CD as specified in the latest version of the NOS Specifications and Deliverables document.

1.6.1 Water level records should be forwarded to the following address:

NOAA/National Ocean Service/CO-OPS
Chief, Engineering Division
N/OPS1 - SSMC4, Station 6531
1305 East-West Highway
Silver Spring, MD 20910

zones are intended to separate inbound and outbound traffic and to be free of ship traffic. Separation zones should not be used except for crossing purposes. When crossing traffic lanes and separation zones use extreme caution.

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication



Hydrographic Survey Project Instructions

Project Name:	Block Island Sound
Project Number:	OPR-B363-TJ-13
Assigned Field Unit:	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>
Assigned Processing Branch:	Atlantic Hydrographic Branch
Signed Date:	01/09/2013
Project Instructions Version:	Draft
Planned Acquisition Time:	Start Date: 03/2013 End Date: 05/2013
Delivery Dates:	120 days from completion of data acquisition.

Purpose and Location:
This project is being conducted in support of NOAA's Office of Coast Survey to provide contemporary hydrographic data in order to update the nautical charting products and reduce the survey backlog within the area. In addition, data from this project will support the Long Island Sound Seafloor Mapping Initiative in New York state. This project also responds, in part, to the concerns raised by the Northeast Marine Pilots for new hydrographic surveys to support deep draft (60') vessels transiting the areas traffic lanes. This project will cover approximately 83 nm ² of which 32 nm ² are critical survey areas as designated in the NOAA Hydrographic Survey Priorities, 2012 edition.
Supporting Documents:
Hydrography shall consist of Navigable Area Surveys in accordance with the following support documents. Data from surveys is intended to supersede all prior survey data in the common area.
NOS Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables Manual (HSSD), April 2012
NOS Field Procedures Manual for Hydrographic Surveying (FPM), April 2012
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2012-2 Config Mgmt
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2012-1 CARIS 7.1
Hydrographic Survey Technical Directive (HTD): HTD 2011-3 XML Reports

PERSONNEL SAFETY AND DATA QUALITY SHALL ALWAYS BE EMPHASIZED OVER DATA QUANTITY! THE HYDROGRAPHER SHALL NEVER SUBJECT PERSONNEL OR BOATS TO UNDUE RISKS AND HAZARDS.

Registry Details:						
General Locality: Block Island Sound						
Registry Number	Priority	Sublocality	State or Territory	Scale	Estimated SNM	Instructions
H12516	1	Eastern Napeague Bay	New York	20000	17	
H12515	2	Western Napeague Bay	New York	20000	22	
H12303	3	Northern Gardiners Bay	New York	20000	14	
H12429	4	5 NM SE of Montauk Pt.	New York	20000	14	
H12432	5	Southern Coast of Block Island	Rhode Island	10000	16	

Coverage & Limits:	
Inshore Limit: The inshore limit of hydrography will be the farthest offshore of the following: (1) the 4-meter depth contour or (2) the line defined by the distance seaward from the MHW line which is equivalent to 0.8 millimeters at the scale of the largest scale nautical chart.	
Coverage Type: Object Detection	
Instructions:	
Coverage Water Depth	Coverage Required
4 meters to 20 meters water depth	200% SSS with concurrent Set Line Spacing SBES or MBES with Backscatter, or Object Detection MBES with Backscatter
Greater than 20 meters water depth	Multibeam with Backscatter

Assigned Tasks

Acknowledgement:
Acknowledge receipt of these instructions and submit any comments or questions via email to Paul Turner at Paul.Turner@noaa.gov.

Aids to Navigation (ATONs):
There are no ATONs specifically assigned for this project. Any ATONs located within the survey area should be verified so that they serve their intended purpose in accordance with section 7.2 of the HSSD.

Feature Investigations:

Investigate AWOIS items in accordance with section 2.2.2.2 and 2.5.4.1 of the FPM. Investigate Maritime Boundary Points in accordance with section 3.5.6 of the FPM.

<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Information Only:</i>	3
<i>Number of assigned AWOIS Items for Full Investigation:</i>	4
<i>Number of assigned Maritime Boundary Claim Items: (when safety permits, search inshore of the NALL line for these maritime boundary features)</i>	999

Bottom Samples:

Obtain bottom samples in accordance with section 7.1 of the HSSD in areas designated by the feature object class springs (SPRING) in the Project Reference File (PRF). The field unit should review the recommended bottom sample locations with the survey data acquired. Contact HSD Operations Branch to discuss modifying the bottom sample plan if the data suggest more appropriate locations for the bottom samples to better differentiate varying bottom characteristics within the survey area when compared to the sample plan provided. This may increase or decrease the sample density but should closely maintain the same numbers of samples per survey as originally assigned.

Chart Comparison:

Use only the latest editions of the largest scale NOS charts covering the project area. These charts are listed below and will be included with project data from Operations Branch. Compare in accordance with section 4.5 of the FPM and section 8.1.4, D.1 of the HSSD. Resolve any discrepancies in the field and explain them in the Descriptive Report.

<i>Affected Raster Charts</i>					
<i>Chart Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition Number</i>	<i>Edition Date</i>	<i>LNK Date</i>	<i>NM Date</i>
13217	15000	16	03/2011	03/01/2011	03/12/2011
13209	40000	26	08/2011	08/23/2011	08/27/2011
13215	40000	20	02/2011	02/16/2011	02/08/2011
12358	40000	21	07/2011	06/28/2011	07/09/2011
<i>Affected ENC's</i>					
<i>ENC Name</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Edition</i>	<i>Update Application Date</i>	<i>Issue Date</i>	<i>Preliminary</i>
US5CN42M	20000	8	09/20/2012	10/02/2012	NO
US5MA22M	40000	20	07/13/2012	09/25/2012	NO
US5RI10M	40000	6	07/25/2012	07/25/2012	NO
US5RI11M	15000	9	05/22/2012	09/06/2012	NO
US4CN22M	80000	7	08/16/2012	09/25/2012	NO

Coast Pilot:

Review and make recommendations for changes to the Coast Pilot excerpts downloaded from the Coast Pilot Web site (<http://www.nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/nsd/cpdownload.htm>). Submit the revised Coast Pilot section or a report stating no changes are recommended, via email to Coast.Pilot@noaa.gov with a copy to the project planner and the assigned Processing Branch. The report should be submitted as soon as possible following field work for the project. NOAA field units should refer to sections 3.5.7 and 5.2.2.2.5 of the FPM for more information.

Dangers to Navigation (DTONs):

Generate DTON reports in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.3. DTON reports should be sent to ocs.ndb@noaa.gov. It is of paramount importance that DTONs be reported as soon as possible.

Junctions:

Junction with data from the surveys listed below. Refer to sections 2.2.2.6 and 4.5.2 of the FPM.

<i>Registry Number</i>	<i>Scale</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Platform</i>	<i>Relative Location</i>
H12010	7500	2009	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	NE
H12033	7500	2009	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	NE
H12299	20000	2011	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	W
H12386	20000	2011	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	S
H11250	10000	2003	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	NW
H11445	10000	2008	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	W
H10984	10000	2000	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	S
H10914	10000	1999	NOAA Ship <i>Rude</i>	S
H10795	10000	1998	NOAA Ship <i>Rude</i>	E
H12431	20000	2012	NOAA Ship <i>Thomas Jefferson</i>	E

Progress Reports:

Email monthly progress reports in accordance with section 5.2.2.2.1 of the FPM to progress.sketches@noaa.gov with a copy to the chief of the assigned Processing Branch. The submittal is due within 5 days after the end of each month.

Survey Outlines:

Generate a survey outline in accordance with the HSSD, section 8.1.2. Survey outlines should be sent to survey.outlines@noaa.gov and shall also be included with the final survey deliverables in Separates II of the Descriptive Report (see Section 8.1.4 for further guidance).

Horizontal Control Requirements:

Horizontal control shall meet requirements in Section 3 of the HSSD.

Vertical Control Requirements:

Apply the TCARI grid "B363TJ2013.tc" for all assigned sheets.

TCARI

Comply with the requirements from CO-OPS which are included with the project data from the Operations Branch. Submit surveys with final approved water levels applied. Contact the Operations Branch if this causes the survey to miss a submission deadline.

NWLON Gauges

<i>Operating Water Level Station</i>	<i>Station ID</i>
Newport, RI	845-2660
New London, CT	846-1490
Montauk, NY	851-0560

Orthometric Imagery:

No Orthometric Imagery has been provided for this project.

Shoreline and Nearshore Features:

A limited shoreline verification will be accomplished using the composite source file (CSF). Preliminary analysis using imagery and the nautical chart was conducted at HSD OPS. All other submerged or visible cultural features inside the limit of survey shall be verified. All features with attribute asgnmt populated with 'Assigned' shall be verified even if they are inshore of NALL. For reference, prior survey features are provided in MapInfo and S57 format on the project CD. See section 3.5.5.2.2 of the FPM.

<i>Number of Assigned Features:</i>	
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User Contacts

The following primary offices and persons shall be contacted at or near the beginning and end of the field operations to discuss survey objectives and accomplishment (Mandatory) or are listed for contact at the discretion of the Commanding Officer (Reference).

NOAA Navigation Manager, Northeast

LCDR Brent Pounds, NOAA
Office of Coast Survey
National Marine Fisheries Service's, Narragansett Laboratory
28 Tarzwell Dr
Narragansett, Rhode Island 02882
Phone: 401-782-3252
Fax: 701-782-3292
Email: Brent.Pounds@noaa.gov
Obligation: Mandatory

Northeast Marine Pilots

CAPT Howard McVay Jr., President
243 Spring Street
Newport, Rhode Island 02840
Phone: 401-847-9050
Fax:
Email: captmcvay@cox.net
Obligation: For Reference

Chief, Waterways Management Division, USCG

CDR Ed LeBlanc, Commander
U.S. Coast Guard, Sector Southeastern New England
U.S. Coast Guard, Sector Southeastern New England
Providence, Rhode Island 02914
Phone: 401-435-2351
Fax:
Email: Edward.G.LeBlanc@uscg.mil
Obligation: For Reference

Chief, Navigation Section, USACE, New England District

Mr. Ed O'Donnell
US Army Corps of Engineers
US Army Corps of Engineers
696 Virginia Rd
Concord, Massachusetts 01741
Phone: 978-318-8375
Fax:
Email: Edward.G.O'Donnell@usace.army.mil
Obligation: For Reference

State Historic Preservation Officer, Rhode Island

Charlotte Taylor

Rhode Island Historical Preservation and Heritage Commission

Old State House

150 Benefit Street

Providence, Rhode Island 02903

Phone: 401-222-4140

Fax:

Email: ctaylor@preservation.ri.gov

Obligation: For Reference

State Historic Preservation Officer, New York

Christina B. Rieth, State Archaeologist and Director

New York State Museum

Cultural Education Center 3122

Albany, New York 12230

Phone: 518-402-5975

Fax: 518-486-2149

Email: crieth@mail.nysed.gov

Obligation: For Reference

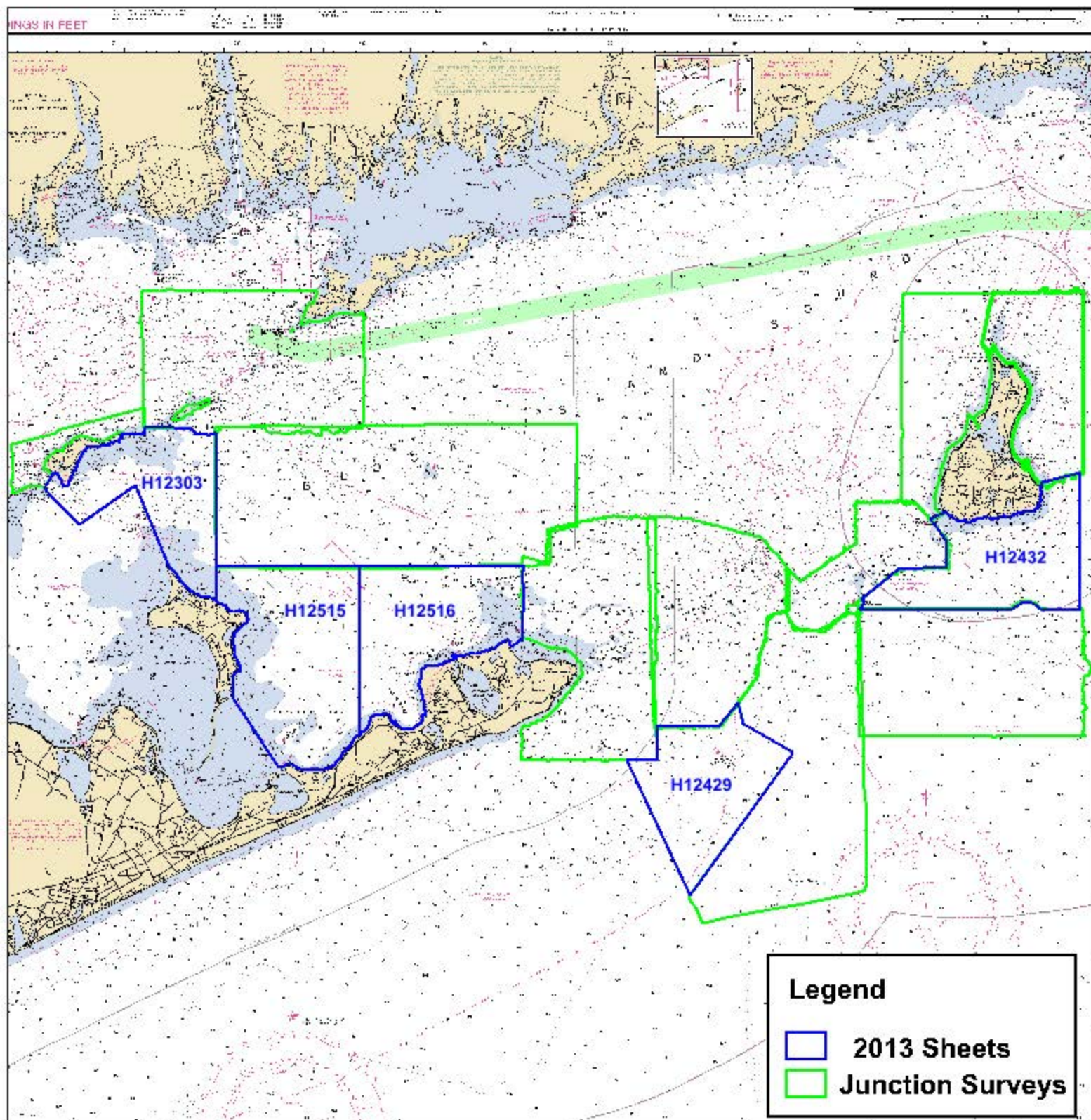
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Critical Area SNM 32



WATER LEVEL INSTRUCTIONS

**OPR-B363-TJ-2013 Approaches to Block Island Sound, CT&RI
(12/11/2012 LH)**

1.0. TIDES AND WATER LEVELS

1.1. Specifications

Tidal data acquisition, data processing, tidal datum computation and final tidal zoning shall be performed utilizing sound engineering and oceanographic practices as specified in National Ocean Service (NOS) Hydrographic Surveys Specifications and Deliverables (HSSD), dated April 2012, and OCS Field Procedures Manual (FPM), dated April 2012. Specifically reference Chapter 4 of the HSSD and Sections 1.5.8, 1.5.9, 2.4.3, and 3.4.2 of the FPM.

1.2. Vertical Datums

The tidal datums for this project are referenced to Chart Datum, Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) and Mean High Water (MHW). Soundings are referenced to MLLW and heights of overhead obstructions (bridges and cables) are referenced to MHW.

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The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) and the Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) are jointly responsible for ensuring that valid water level data are collected during periods of hydrography. The Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) is required to monitor the pertinent water level data via the CO-OPS Web site at <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro.shtml>, email data transmissions through TIDEBOT, or through regular communications with CO-OPS/Engineering Division (ED) personnel before and during operations. During traditional non duty hours, the Commanding Officer/Team Leader may contact the Continuous Operational Real-Time Monitoring System (CORMS) watch stander who is available 24 hours/day - 7 days/week for assistance in assessing the status of applicable water level station operation. The CORMS watch stander may be contacted either by phone at 301-713-2540 or by Email: CORMS@noaa.gov. Problems or concerns regarding the acquisition of valid water level data identified by the Commanding Officer/Team Leader shall be communicated with CO-OPS/ED (Colleen Roche, 301-713-2900 ext. 137, Email: nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov) to coordinate the appropriate course of action to be taken such as gauge repair and/or developing contingency plans for hydrographic survey operations. In addition, CO-OPS is required to coordinate with the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) before interrupting the acquisition of water level data for the NWLON stations mentioned above for any reason during periods of hydrography.

1.2.2. The Hydro Hot List (HHL)

Please contact CO-OPS' Hydrographic Planning Team (HPT) at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov and CO-OPS' Operational Engineering Team (OET) at nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov at least three business days before survey operations begin, and within 1 business day after survey operations are completed so that the appropriate CO-OPS National Water Level Observation Network (NWLON) control water level station(s), as well as any required subordinate station(s), is/are added to or removed from the CO-OPS Hydro Hotlist (HHL) (<http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/hydro>). Include start and end survey dates, full project number

(e.g. OPR-H355-TJ-10), and control and subordinate station numbers. The notification must be sent to both teams as OET is responsible for configuring the station in the CO-OPS data base and HPT manages the addition and removal of stations from the HHL.

Station	Station ID	Control or Subordinate	Type (e.g. NWLON, PORTS®, etc)	Comment
Newport	8452660	Control	NWLON	
New London	8461490	Control	NWLON	
Montauk	8510560	Control	NWLON	

Table 1: All stations that need to be added to the HHL in support of B363TJ2013

It is important to know that the addition of a water level station to the HHL ensures the station is monitored by CORMS and any problems are reported daily. However, platforms should view the HHL each morning of active survey operations and click on the eyeball icon to double check that there are not problems with the required stations on that day. If a platform notices problems with data on their survey day of operation, please contact HPT at nos.coops.hpt@noaa.gov, CORMS at CORMS@noaa.gov, and their respective headquarters point of contact at HSD or NSD. Stations on the HHL are given priority for maintenance should a station cease normal operation during scheduled times of hydrography. CO-OPS will notify a field unit within 1 business day if a HHL water level station ceases operation during scheduled times of hydrography. This is in addition to the daily CORMS report that CORMS sends to NOAA field units, if the field unit's e-mail address is added to the CORM's daily e-mail list. To be added to the CORMS daily HHL report, the platform should contact CO-OPS' Data Monitoring and Analysis Team (DMAT) at nos.co-ops.dmat@noaa.gov and request to be added.

If the stations are listed on HHL, then weekly priority processing will occur and, for those water level stations, verified 6-minute water level data will be made available every week on Monday or Tuesday. If Monday happens to be a federal holiday, then the 6-minute verified water level data will be made available on the following Tuesday or Wednesday.

1.3. Tide Reducer Stations

1.3.1. CO-OPS Long Term Water Level Station Operation and Maintenance

The NWLON stations Newport, RI (8452660), New London, CT (8461490) and Montauk, NY (8510560), will provide water level reducers for this project. Therefore it is critical that they remain in operation during the survey. See Sections 1.1. and 1.2. concerning responsibilities.

No leveling is required at Newport, RI (8452660), New London, CT (8461490) and Montauk, NY (8510560) by NOAA's Platform THOMAS JEFFERSON personnel.

CO-OPS/FOD is responsible for the operation and maintenance of all NWLON primary control stations. If a problem is identified at an NWLON primary control station, FOD shall make all reasonable efforts to repair the malfunctioning station. However, CO-OPS may request assistance from the NOAA ship or NRT personnel in the actual repair of the water level station to facilitate a rapid repair. CO-OPS/FOD and the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) shall maintain the required communications until the repairs to the water level station have been completed.

1.3.2. Subordinate Station Requirements

No subordinate water level stations are required for this project, however, supplemental and/or back-up water level stations may be necessary depending on the complexity of the hydrodynamics and/or the severity of the environmental conditions of the project area. The installation and continuous operation of water level measurement systems (tide gauges) at subordinate station locations is left to the discretion of the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader), subject to the approval of CO-OPS. If the Commanding Officer (or Team Leader) decides to install additional water level stations, then a 30-day minimum of continuous data acquisition is required. For all subordinate stations, data must be collected throughout the entire survey period for which they are applicable, and not less than 30 continuous days. This is necessary to facilitate the computation of an accurate datum reference as per NOS standards.

1.3.3. Tide Component Error Estimation

This section is not applicable for this project. Tidal Constituent And Residual Interpolator (TCARI) automatically calculates the error associated with water level interpolation. This error is incorporated into the residual/harmonic solutions and included in the Total Propagated Error (TPE) for the survey.

1.3.4. GOES Satellite Enabled Subordinate Stations

This section is not applicable for this project.

1.3.5. Benchmark Recovery and GPS Requirements

This section is not applicable for this project.

1.3.6. Residual Water Level Station(s) Data

Tidal Constituent And Residual Interpolation (TCARI) method uses harmonic constituents and residuals from historical and operating water level stations to provide precise water level correction for bathymetric surveys. Download the Preliminary/Verified data at following water level station(s) data for all periods of survey.

The operating station at Newport, RI (8452660), New London, CT (8461490) and Montauk, NY (8510560) will provide residuals for this project and must remain in operation during all periods of hydrography.

<u>Station Number</u>	<u>Station Name</u>	<u>Latitude(N)</u>	<u>Longitude(W)</u>
8452660	Newport, RI	41 ° 30.3'	71° 19.6'
8461490	New London, CT	41 ° 21.7'	72° 05.4'
8510560	Montauk, NY	41 ° 02.9'	71° 57.6'

1.4. Tidal Constituent and Residual Interpolation (TCARI)

1.4.1. For hydrography in the area of Approaches to Block Island Sound, CT&RI, apply the TCARI grid "B363TJ2013.tc" supplied in conjunction with the water level data from Section 1.3.6 to produce a seamless tide correction. Refer to the TCARI Field SOP for detailed TCARI instructions.

1.4.2. This section is not applicable for this project.

1.4.3. TCARI Diagram(s)

A diagram created in Pydro, is provided in digital copy format to assist with the information provided in section 1.4.1.

1.4.4. TCARI Final Solutions

Upon completion of project, submit a Pydro generated request for smooth tides, with times of hydrography abstract and mid/mif tracklines attached. Forward this request to final.tides@noaa.gov. Provide the project number, as well as sheet number, in the subject line of the email.

CO-OPS will review the times of hydrography, final tracklines, and six-minute water level data from all applicable water level gauges. If there are any discrepancies, CO-OPS will make the appropriate adjustments and forward a revised TCARI grid and solutions to the field group and processing branch for final processing.

1.5. TideBot

Preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data may be retrieved from the CO-OPS database via TideBot application. TideBot delivers timely preliminary/verified tidal and Great Lakes six minute water level observations via email to users on a scheduled, recurring basis. To access TideBot through an email account, send an email to TideBot@noaa.gov with the word “help” as the subject. An email reply will be sent with instructions on how to subscribe to TideBot for time series data retrieval. Six minute preliminary and verified data may also be retrieved in one month increments over the internet from the CO-OPS SOAP web services at <http://opendap.co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/axis/text.html> by clicking on "Six Minute Data".

Alternately, users may download preliminary and verified six minute water level time series data from the CO-OPS database via the Fetchtides application. Fetchtides provides a mechanism to store imported data locally and combine multiple days worth of data into one CARIS readable tide (.tid) file. Fetchtides is available for download at Hydrosoft Online (<https://inside.nos.noaa.gov/hydrosoft/hydrosoftware.html>). For more information, please see the Fetchtides User Manual in the FPM chapter 3 appendix.

1.6 Water Level Records

This section is not applicable for this project.

