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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

L. Q. COLBERT, Director

State: ALASKA

### DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

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NORTHWEST COAST - UMNAK ISLAND

ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

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CHIEF OF PARTY

RAY L. SCAHOPPE

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## TOPOGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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

Field No. W-38

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State ALASKA - ALEUTIAN ISLANDS	
General localityUMNAK ISLAND	
Locality CAPE KIGUSHIMKADA to OKEE POINT to Cope	Kinushinkada
Scale 1:20,000 Date of survey May, June	1039
Vessel U.S.C.&G.S. Str. SURVEYOR	
Chief of party Ray L. Schoppe	
Surveyed by A.C. Thorson	
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#### DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

to accompany

TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET - FIELD NO. W-38 H-67/3 (1939)

NORTHWEST COAST, UMNAK ISLAND, ALASKA

PROJECT - HT-218

FIELD SEASON - 1939

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

Field work was executed in accordance with Director's Instructions, dated February 3, 1938, covering combined operations of the Steamer SURVEYOR.

#### EXTENT OF SURVEY:

This survey includes the Bering Sea coast of Umnak Island from Latitude 53° - 08.1' south and southwestward to Latitude 53° - 01.0'. The inshore limits of the sheet of the sheet lie between Latitudes 53° - 00' and 53° - 07.6'. The eastern limit follows Longitude 168° - 41.6' from northern limit due south to Latitude 53° - 03.7' thence along an irregular line to Longitude 168° - 45' at southern limit of sheet.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

"TEAPOT HILL", at the northern limit of the sheet is a conspicuous conical hill with steep rocky bluffs rising from the waters edge.

About one-half mile south of "Teapot Hill" is a slight indentation with a small gravel beach. From the northern extremity of this beach a steep bluff, the edge of a lava flow, extends inland in a south-southeasterly direction for about one-half mile.

CAPE KIGUSHIMKADA is a very rugged rounded headland having precipitous rocky bluffs 80 to 90 feet high with numerous jagged indentations and a rough rocky shoreline. There are numerous rocks and pinnacles adjacent to the shoreline. The formations indicate that this area south to Latitude 53°-06' were formed by a lava flow from Vsevidof Volcano. On top of this cape a shelf covered with numerous lava outcrops, cinder beds and fissures, rises gradually inland to form the west slope of the now extinct volcano.

Southeast of Cape Kigushimkada, Latitude 530-05.7%, has a bold headland, having steep rocky bluffs rising 200 feet or more. It is prominent from seaward.

One-half mile south of this headland and extending south-southwest for  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles is a broad sand beach. A broad grassy valley extends inland from this beach. Sand dunes are prevelant adjacent to the beach. Three permanent streams flow thru this valley and the two northerly carry the drainage from the southerly slopes of Mt. Vsevidof.

The summit of Mt. Vsevidof lies just off the northeast corner of this sheet. The extinct volcano, which is snow covered in its upper reaches the year around, slopes gradually to the shore and valley described above. On its western slope are several small cinder cones that fall just north of this sheet.

South of the long sand beach is a rocky headland with out-lying rocky ledges that are partially awash at high tide. There are two rocky islets 0.6 and 1.4 miles west by south from this headland. Triangulation station station BAR - 1938 is on the outer islet and a marked hydrographic station named DIXON is on the inner.

A sunken rock, that breaks in heavy weather, located in Latitude 53° - 01.87' and Longitude 168° - 49.22' was located by the topographic party. This shool was investigated on H-6506 (1938-39) and least depth of 12 fins obtained on Rk. The sunken rock symbol has been removed from T-6713 (1939) because the cuts to breakers differed slightly from the position of least depth. HES The notation Greakers' was substituted to

From the headland at the southern end of the sand beach the coast was substituted for the line running in a southwesterly direction is very irregular with numerous indentations and offlying rocks.

"OKEE BAY" is a small shoal inlet that affords some shelter for small craft. It has a sand beach where landings can be made in most any kind of weather.

The area inland between the long sand beach and "OKEE BAY" is rolling with grass covered hills interspersed with small streams and lakes.

The headland about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile west of OKEE BAY and northeast of Ananiuliak Island was named OKEE POINT by the survey party. Steep rocky bluffs rise back of the high water line and rocky ledges extend offshore. Between OKEE POINT and OKEE BAY there is a small shoal inlet.

#### CONTROL:

This sheet was controlled by second and third order triangulation established during the 1937 and 1938 field seasons.

#### SURVEYING METHODS:

Approved methods of planetable proceedure as described in Special Publication No. 144 were complied with.

Only one traverse of any extent, between triangulation stations TEAPOT and KIGUSH, was required and this closed within required limits. No adjustment was required.

When signal building was completed the topographic party occupied stations KAY, BEA, BAR, LAVA and KIGUSH and cuts were taken to all visible hydrographic signals. In executing the detailed work resections from these points and short traverses were made.

Offlying features were located by direct rod readings or by three or more cuts.

Interior details were cut in from planetable setups along the shore and from the tops of several hills inland. The river in the middle of the broad valley in Lat. 530 - 03.7° was traversed for one and one half miles inland. The stream at the southern end of the long sand beach

was traversed inland about 3 mile.

ELEVATIONS: ADJONS:

T-4947 (1937-38)

The elevation of Mt. Vsevidof was obtained from previous survey. A tr tracing of southerly portion of Field Sheet V-38, was made and the form lines east of insert on this sheet was completed on tracing and junction made between the two sheets thereon. There is a gap between the two sheets in the area inshore (Covered by 7-4957 (1938-39))

The elevations south of latitude 530 - 00' were on the sheet having been obtained by Lt. Tison during the 1938 Field Season.

Elevations for form lines were obtained during progress of work and form lines were sketched in the field. Vertical angles were taken with the alidade and elevations computed with the hypsograph. Checks for most of the elevations were taken from separate planetable positions.

The following hills in the interior were occupied to facilitate establishing form lines and locating interior detail:

224' - hill just south of Okee Bay
304' - hill - Lat. - 53° - 00.7' Long. 168° - 49.4'
338' - hill - Lat. 53° - 00.75' Long. 168° - 48.2'
456' hill - Lat. 53° - 00.96' Long. 168° - 46.42'
273' hill - Lat. 53° - 02.17' Long. 168° - 46.48'

JUNCTION WITH ADJACENT SURVEYS:

T-6648 (1938) This sheet joins Field Sheet V-38, on the north and the junction was satisfactory. There was a gap in the form lines between the two sheets that was completed on a tracing which will be forwarded to the office.

Junction with sheet T-6647 on the south was satisfactory.

COMPARISON WITH EXISTING CHARTS:

Chart 8802 covering this portion of Ummak Island is on such a small scale that a comparison is impossible. Comparison made in Review.

The names UMNAK ISLAND, MOUNT VSEVIDOF, BERING SEA and CAPE KI-RUSHIMKADA are from chart 8802.

The following names were assigned by the Field Party during the 1938 Field Season

1. OKEE BAY - The small inlet in Lat 53° - 01' and Long. 168° - 50.5' known by this name by the natives of Nikolski Village.

2. OKEE POINT - The rocky point in Lat. 530- 01'& Long. 1680 - 51.8', so named by the survey party in 1938, because of its proximity to OKEE BAY.

#### LIST OF PLANETABLE POSITIONS:

SOD - whitewash on rocky point - not recoverable FAT - Whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable BOS - whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable SIN - whitewash on high point of rock - recoverable . DUG - whitewash, boulder on beach - not recoverable MUN - whitewash, boulder on beach - not recoverable HUT - whitewash, top rocky point - not recoverable BUS - whitewash, top of rocky bluff - not recoverable SLIM- whitewash, top rocky bluff - not recoverable TAR - whitewash, top of rocky bluff - not recoverable WIG - whitewash, top of rocky point - recoverable 22 HIP - whitewash, top rocky bluff - not recoverable JUG - whitewash top of rocky bluff - not recoverable WED - whitewash top of rocky bluff - not recoverable LOC - whitewash top of rocky bluff - not recoverable TON - whitewash top rocky bluff - not recoverable JAW 2 whitewash top of rocky bluff - not recoverable LONG- whitewash side of bluff - not recoverable -NIP - whitewash on bluff - not recoverable POW - whitewash on rocky bluff - not recoverable SUM - whitewash on side of bluff - not recoverable TUP - whitewash on outlying rock - recoverable PLY - whitewash low rock - not recoverable YAK' - whitewash boulder on beach' - not recoverable ALF - whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable DAR - whitewash on face of cliff - not recoverable MIL - whitewash on face of cliff - not recoverable HUN - whitewash on rock - not recoverable SHIP- whitewash on rock - not recoverable LUB - whitewash on outlying rock - not recoverable DAM - whitewash on piled driftwood-not recoverable SIR - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable . TIM - whitewash on log - not recoverable MAG - banner on driftwood - not recoverable PUS - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable POT - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable TOY - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable VAN - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable ZEB - whitewash on piled driftwood - not recoverable YEL - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable LEO - whitewash on rock bluff - not recoverable MOP - whitewash on rock bluff - not recoverable HAT - whitewash on outlying rock - not recoverable IRA - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable BUS - whitewash on rocky point - not recoverable ZEO - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable GAW - whitewash on driftwood - not recoverable JUD - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable √ CAY - whitewash on outlying rock - not recoverable PED - whitewash on driftwood - not recoverable GLEN- whitewash on driftwood - not recoverable GOB - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

## PLANETABLE POSITIONS (cont.)

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Respectfully submitted,

A.C. Thorson Jr. H.&G.Engineer

Examined and Approved;

Ray L. Schoppe, H.&G.E. Chief of Party.

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#### DIVISION OF CHARTS

#### SURVEYS SECTION

#### REVIEW OF TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. T-6713 FIELD NO. W-38

Aleutian Islands - Umnak Island, Okee Point to Cape Kigushimkada Surveyed in May and June 1939, Scale 1:20,000 Instructions dated February 3, 1938 (SURVEYOR)

#### Plane Table Survey

Aluminum Mounted

Chief of Party - R. L. Schoppe Surveyed by - A. C. Thorson Inked by - A. C. Thorson Reviewed by - H. F. Stegman, June 9, 1941 Inspected by - H. R. Edmonston

#### 1. Junctions with Contemporary Surveys

Junctions with T-6646 (1938) on the north, T-6647 (1938) on the southwest, T-6648b (1938) on the south and T-4957 (1938-39) on the northeast are satisfactory. There are some differences in the form lines in the overlap with T-4957 (1938-39). T-4957 supersedes the present survey in the common area. There are no contemporary surveys joining the present survey on the east, south of Lat. 53° 05'.

#### 2. Comparison with Prior Surveys

There are no prior surveys by this Bureau in the area of the present survey.

#### 3. Comparison with Chart 8802 (Latest print dated 11-1-40)

#### a. Topography

The agreement of the charted shore line with that of the present survey is poor. This shore line was first shown on chart 8800, edition of February 1901, and existing information indicates that it originates with a sketch by the U. S. Revenue Cutter Service (Letter 488 of about 1900).

#### b. Aids to Navigation

There are no charted aids to navigation within the area of the present survey.

#### c. Magnetic Meridians

The magnetic meridian was determined at three points. The value obtained at station BAR, 1938, Lat. 53° 02.2', Long. 168° 50.5' is 1° 30' W. of the interpolated charted value of 13° 55' E. while that at station KAY, 1938, Lat. 53° 00.8', Long. 168° 50.7' is 1° 35' E. of the charted value. The value obtained at station GUSH, Lat. 53° 04.5', Long. 168° 45.8' agrees closely with the charted value.

#### 4. Condition of Survey

Satisfactory.

## 5. Compliance with Instructions for the Project Satisfactory.

#### 6. Additional Field Work Recommended

An attempt should be made to survey the holiday to the eastward of the present survey extending from Lat. 52° 59.7', Long. 168° 47.5' to Lat. 53° 06', Long. 168° 38'. This holiday is about 14 square miles in area. The Descriptive Report of T-4947 (1937-38), page 2, states that most of this area is not visible from either shore of Umnak Island.

#### 7. Superseded Surveys

None.

Examined and approved:

Chief, Surveys Section

Chief, Division of Charts

Chief, Section of Hydrography Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys