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U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

L. O. COLBERT...., Director

State: ALASKA

# DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Topographic Hydrographic

Sheet No. Field A-38
Register No.- 7-67/6

LOCALITY

SOUTH COAST - UNALASKA ISLAND

ALEUTIAN ISLANDS

1939

CHIEF OF PARTY

RAY L. SCHOPPE

DECLASSIFICATION BY NOAA

PURSUANT TO DOC SYSTEMATIC REVIEW

GUIDELINES AS DESCRIBED IN SECTION

-3.3 (a), EXECUTIVE ORDER 12356

# TOPOGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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#### DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

to accompany

## TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET - FIELD NO. A-38

SOUTH COAST - UNALASKA ISLAND

PROJECT HT-218

FIELD SEASONS - 1938, 1939

#### INSTRUCTIONS:

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

#### EXTENT OF SURVEY:

This survey includes the Pacific Ocean coastline of Unalaska Island, Northeast of Cape Aiak, from Latitude 53° - 18.37" and Longitude 167° - 21', to Latitude 53° - 20' and Longitude 167° - 21'

The interior area covered by the survey is bounded as follows: from a point on coast in Latitude 53° - 17.4' and Longitude 167° - 28.5', w.S.W. to a point in Latitude 53° - 17.2' and Longitude 167° - 50.8', thence NW along an irregular line to Latitude 53° - 21' and Longitude 167° - 33'; thence NE on an irregular line to a point in Latitude 53° - 24.5' and Longitude 167° - 23.7'; thence SE to a point in Latitude 53° - 21.5' and Longitude 167° - 19.6'; thence S to a point on the coast-line in Latitude 53° - 20.15' and Longitude 167° - 20'.

#### GENERAL DESCRIPTION:

The coastline slopes gradually in a NE'ly direction from the high headland N of triangulation station PIN, to a low point on which triangulation station NOSE is located.

North of this point there is a small bay that affords shelter for small craft in all but SE'ly weather. On the west side of this bay there is a bread sand beach backed by a low grassy valley. Three streams flow thru the valley. A rocky point projects from the middle of the beach. The East side of the bay is bordered by a chain of small rocky islets. A broad flat reef that bares one foot at M.L.L.W. lies northwest of these islets.

From the north end of the beach in the above bay, northeasterly to signal WAT the coastline is irregular with rocky ledges extending offshore. Back of the H.W. line steep rocky bluffs interspersed with small gullys are prominent. The rock cliffs between signals BAL and WAT are very precipitous. A small waterfall is located at the head of a small bight (Signal WAT).

From signal WAT to the eastern limit of the sheet the bluffs back of the shoreline are low and for the most part grass covered. There is a rough rocky ledge extending south from signal BOB and another

connecting the pinnacle rock (triangulation station SOC) with the mainland.

Grass covered mountains lie inland from this stretch of coastline. Except for the south slope of the range that runs parallel to the coast the drainage is largely to the northwest side of Unalaska Island.

This sheet is controlled by Second and Third order triangulation CONTROL: established during the 1936 Field Season.

The shoreline from Triangulation station PIN to the point, signal SURVEY METHODS: DOC, was executed during the 1938 Field Season by J.C. Tison. The balance of the shoreline to signal PIL, was completed during the 1939 Field Season by John Bowie Jr. The form lines were established by A.C. Thorson during the 1939 Field Season.

Standard methods as prescribed in Special Publication No. 144 were used in the execution of this Survey.

A traverse was run from Triangulation station PIN to triangulation station NOSE. This was in error about 5 meters in azimuth and adjustment was made in the field.

Signals were cut in from triangulation stations NOSE and ISLE. In traversing between triangulation station NOSE and signal DOC, checks were made by resecting on the above two stations and triangulation station HOPE. No error was introduced.

Mr. Bowie ran a traverse from Signal DOC to triangulation station SOL without appreciable error.

All outlying features were located by stadia readings or by 3 or more cuts from planetable positions.

The elevations on ridge between Latitudes 53° - 17' and 53° - 19' ELEVATIONS: and between Longitudes 1670 - 30' and 1670 - 31', were transferred from Field sheet UL-36. The elevation and form lines (near top) of peak in Latitude 53° - 24' and Longitude 167° - 26' were transferred from 1:40000 scale sheet showing form lines of Unalaska Island. All other elevations were obtained during 1939 Field Season. or shown on layout. T-6548 joins in this vicinity. Scale 1-1990.

Elevations were obtained by use of the alidade for cuts and vertical angles and the hypsograph for computing elevations.

Cuts were taken for elevations from various points along the FORM LINES: shoreline. The hill (elevation 278 feet) north of Signal ROD was occupied with the planetable; also the 194 foot hill west of signal KIT.

Cuts were also taken with the Alidade from triangulation stations HOPE, ISLE and NOSE.

Additional cuts were taken with a sextant to locate peaks and

drainage lines from the ship while at anchor SW of triangulation station SOL and southwest of triangulation station PIN.

The planetable was later taken inland from Chernofski Bay to the peak (elevation 1070 feet) in Latitude 53° - 20.8' and Longitude 167° - 28.5' where additional cuts were taken and the interior form lines sketched.

JUNCTION WITH ADJACENT SURVEYS:

The shoreline joined exactly with surveys as shown on sheets Par. 1, review UL-36 and T6641.

The form lines shown at the junction with sheet T-6641 as transferred from that sheet did not agree at the edge of sheet T-6641. The form lines were changed on this sheet to conform to the terrain.

Some slight changes were made at the junction with sheet UL-36.

COMPARISON WITH EXISTING CHARTS:

Chart 8802 covering this portion of Unalaska Island is on such a small scale that comparison is not possible.

NAMES:

The names UNALASKA ISLAND and PACIFIC OCEAN are from chart 8802. No new names were added by the field party.

STATISTICS:

LIST OF PLANETABLE POSITIONS:

RAT - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

BIS - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

ACE - whitewash on offlying pinnacle rock - not recoverable

DUK - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

WEB - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

BOS - whitewash on boulder on beach - not recoverable

TUN - whitewash on boulder on beach - not recoverable

CAT - whitewash on rock outgrop - not recoverable

DOG - whitewash on rocky point - not recoverable

KIT - whitewash on driftwood - not recoverable

PUP - whitewash on rocky cliff - not recoverable

SNO - whitewash on rocky cliff - not recoverable

ICE - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable

SIN - whitewash on boulder - not recoverable

RUG - whitewash on boulder - not recoverable

ZUP - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable

GUS - whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable

DOC - whitewash on sharp rock point - recoverable

NOT - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

HI - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

RIF - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

BAL - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

HO - whitewash on rock cliff - not recoverable

WAT - waterfall - recoverable

## List of Planetable positions (cont)

END - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable

DIM - whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable

GUD - whitewash on rock outcrop - not recoverable

BOB - whitewash on face of bluff - not recoverable

ROD - whitewash on rocky cliff - not recoverable

PHIL- whitewash on boulder - not recoverable

Respectfully submitted,

A.C. Thorson

Jr. H. & G. E.

Examined and approved:

Ray L. Schoppe H.&G.E.

Chief of Party

Commanding Ship SURVEYOR

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#### DIVISION OF CHARTS

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#### REVIEW OF TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY NO. 6716 (1938-39) FIELD NO. A-38

Aleutian Islands, Unalaska Island, Northeast of Cape Aiak Surveyed in 1938 - 1939, Scale 1:20,000 Instructions dated February 3, 1938 (SURVEYOR)

#### Plane Table Survey

Aluminum Mounted

Chief of Party - R. L. Schoppe. Surveyed by - J. C. Tison; J. Bowie, Jr., A. C. Thorson. Inked by - A. C. Thorson. Reviewed by - J. A. McCormick, May 9, 1940. Inspected by - H. R. Edmonston.

1. Junctions with Contemporary Surveys.

Junctions with T-6548 (1936) on the north, T-6552 (1936) on the west and T-6641 (1938) on the east are satisfactory. Considerable office adjustment was necessary to obtain satisfactory continuity of form lines at all three junctions. Form lines on the present survey supersede those which they overlap on T-6552. Exact overlaps have been made with T-6548 and T-6641, in the latter case including the sketching of a 1/2 mile gap between the limits of T-6641 form lines and those of the present survey. The sketched form lines are shown in green on T-6641.

2. Comparison with Prior Surveys.

This Bureau has made no previous surveys in this area.

3. Comparison with Chart 8802 (New Print Dec. 21, 1939).

The chart is on such a small scale as to give only a general idea of the topography.

4. Condition of Survey.

Satisfactory.

5. Compliance with Instructions for the Project.

Satisfactory except as noted in par. 1.

6. Additional Field Work Recommended.

None.

# Superseded Surveys.

None.

Examined and approved:

T. B. Reed, Chief, Section of Field Records.

Chief, Division of Charts.

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