DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

State: CALIFORNIA

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

Locality:
San Francisco Bay, East
Shore — Oakland to
Brooks Isd.

1917

Chief of Party:
L. O. Colbert
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
E. Lester Jones, Superintendent.

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT
of
TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET 3663

REVISION OF TOPOGRAPHY OF
SAN FRANCISCO BAY

Surveyed under direction of

L.O. Colbert, Assistant.
Chief of Party

by

H. T. Kelsh, Assistant.

January - February
1917

Scale. 1 : 10,000.
Descriptive Report of Topographic Revision Sheet C of San Francisco Bay.

Limits of Sheet:--

This sheet embraces the portion of the east end of San Francisco Bay from Shoal Point, Richmond, to San Antonio Creek, Oakland.

Methods of Survey:--

The work was controlled by a few triangulation signals. The work was started by occupying station Brooks 2, cutting all the prominent objects visible along the main shore; then occupying the station outer gable of wharf house at University Avenue wharf and locating that point by resection, checking on a few objects visible in this locality, and cutting in objects observed from Brooks. With this as a start short traverses were run between the points so determined. Most of the old triangulation signals were gone or could not be occupied. A few points were obtained from the triangulation revision party.

No important objects were sketched, and practically all the buildings shown were well located, although no attempt was made to get more than the general shape.

The parts of the shoreline that were not rerun are shown by dashed lines. All was inspected. While quite a portion of the shoreline in the vicinity of Berkeley and Emeryville was probably unchanged, it was all rerun as the piers and docks are small, and the only data furnished being the old chart in a 1:40,000 scale, small changes were unnoticeable.

In accordance with paragraph 176, general instructions for field work, maps were obtained of the streets of Richmond, Berkeley and Oakland and are forwarded with the sheet. In addition, blue prints and maps were obtained of the ferry piers at Oakland. They are in a large scale and verified in the field. Lack of time made it impossible to reduce these to the chart. Their general location and connection with the parts observed has been shown on the sheet, and as in general the changes are small they may be easily transferred to the chart in the office.

Notes will be found on the sheet referring to everything not perfectly clear.
Scale of Sheet: 1:10,000.

Party:
The party consisted of one officer and two rodmen. Transportation was by means of trolley line, which all along this shore run within a mile of the beach.

Detailed Description of Shoreline:

Brooks Island:
The buildings on Brooks Island the unimportant were put in, but the shoreline which showed no change was not rerun.

On the shoreline north of Stege the swampy ground commences, and from here around to the north side of the bight to Shoal Point there are no important changes.

At Stege the powder works occupy the same place.

The California Cap Works at the north side of the wharf consists of a number of low buildings fenced in, and permission was refused to enter the grounds. However, the old chart showing a group of buildings at this place is sufficiently good.

Streets are now laid out practically to the waters edge north of here, but ma there are no houses. For these see accompanying map of Richmond. There is only one pier here now. The Stauffer Chemical Co. is just south of the pier.

From the above to Point Isabel there are no improvements. The shoreline was not rerun.

Off shore in this vicinity there are a large number of piles driven under the direction of the Navy for testing bottom etc., for consideration as a naval base. These were marked distinctly and were cut in as requested. It is not known if it is intended that these shall be removed or not.

The houses on Point Isabel were put on and portions of the shoreline. The Point, other than shown, appeared to be the same, and no attempt was made to get all the shore. This was a former powder manufacturing plant, but is now largely abandoned. Many of the buildings are in ruins and some of them are being torn down.
Detailed Description of shoreline: Continued:

A small section was rerun at Nobel to get the few buildings there and to verify the shoreline. The shoreline is the same.

The spur of railroad running down to Fleming Point is the same as shown, but there are no houses where the spur is shown to leave the main track. The shoreline of Fleming Point was found to be unchanged. The wharf projecting from the tip of the Point however, is gone, only the outer portion remaining.

About a quarter of a mile south of the point and about the same distance inshore is a tall concrete chimney alongside the city incinerating plant. The chimney is very prominent.

From here south the shoreline was run continuously, for it is practically built up solid, and it was impossible to distinguish small changes on the 1:40,000 chart, the only data furnished.

For the streets in this vicinity see the accompanying map of Berkeley.

There are few changes in the piers at University Avenue, West Berkeley.

About half a mile south of this the shore is formed by a rough piled rock sea wall for the railroad. This is about three-quarters of a mile in length.

Half way along the wall and about 100 meters back from the shore, stands the Peet Bros. Soap Co., a three story brick building; there are two important objects here: the concrete chimney, 140 feet high; and the black iron water tower about twenty-five feet lower.

From here to Shellmound Park the shoreline is a series of small docks and buildings. The race track shown on the chart is gone, and is now an open field. Shellmound Park however, still remains between the railroad and the shore.

The shoreline to the Key route pier is about the same.

The outer end of the pier was not rerun. A blue print is attached showing the present form of the pier. The outer end is practically the same, except that another small slip has been added and a long fill has been carried out; from that the track curves to meet the old line. Both trestles are used.
Detailed Description of shoreline:— Continued;

The sewers shown just south of the piers are the same. The old trestle which paralleled the shore about 400 meters offshore, is now decayed, and only the pilings remain.

The Fourteenth Street extension is the same as on the chart. There is a small boathouse on the outer end, and north of this is a stone breakwater, with a narrow entrance forming a spillway for the tide flats behind.

The ground back of the bulkhead just south is now being filled.

The present high water mark was indefinite, and is being changed.

At the south end is the Southern Pacific Pier. Albers is now erecting a large building at this place. There is a new bulkhead on the south side of this pier and the land has been filled in behind it. The outer end of the pier was inspected but not rerun. The accompanying blue-print shows the southwest corner, so that the beginning of the bulkhead line can be obtained: the inner end and the details of the round-house etc. are also given; this sheet is listed No. 2. The inner corner of the bulkhead was however, located, so that this can be easily tied in. There is also a blue print of this and the R.R. building here, listed as No. 3.

A very complete blue print of the Western Pacific was obtained, and this was checked over in the field. The north side of the mole is not straight as shown, but consists merely of irregular marshy shoreline, with tide flats between this and the piers. This has been sketched in on the blue print, listed no. 4, and also shown with sufficient accuracy on the War Department map showing this vicinity.

The R.R. yards remain between the Southern Pacific and Western Pacific Moles, and the shoreline, other than that rerun, is practically the same.

The channel to the inner harbor was not rerun, but the ground on each side as far as the bridge, was gone over with the War Department map, and found to be as shown on the attached map;

Prominent Objects:—

A few prominent objects have been tabulated in the list of plane table positions attached, but the more prominent ones were located by the triangulation revision party, and the locations will be found in that data.
Contours:

No contours were run, as the present chart is very complete in that respect.

Statistics of Sheet:

Area surveyed in square miles ... ........
Length of general coastline in statute miles. .............. 123
" " shoreline of Rivers
" " " " Creeks
" " " " Ponds
Length of roads in statute miles (Streets) 10
Topographic Sheets finished, number of, .................... 1
Topographic Sheets finished, Scale of, ..................... 1:10,000.

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved,

[Signature]

Henry F. Keel
Assistant, C. & G. Survey.
Observer and Compiler.

[Signature]

Assistant, C. & G. Survey.
Chief of Party.
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Topographic Sheet D

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U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Register No. 3653

State . . . California


Locality . . . Shoal Pt., Richmond to San Antonio Creek, Oakland.

Chief of party . . . L. Q. Colbert.

Surveyed by . . . H. T. Kelsh.

Date of survey . . . January to February, 1917.

Scale . . . \$\frac{1}{10000}

Heights in feet above . . . . . .

Contour interval . None. feet.


Records accompanying sheet (check those forwarded): Photographs, Descriptive report, Horizontal angle books, Field computations, Data from other sources affecting sheet . . . .

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U.S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

State: California

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT.

Topo. Sheet No. 3653a

LOCALITY:
San Francisco Bay
East Shore
Oakland to Brooks Island

19120

CHIEF OF PARTY:
F.G. Engle, H.G.E.
Descriptive Report

To accompany Topographic Sheet #3653.

San Francisco Bay - E. Shore - Oakland to Brooks Island.

Revision under instructions dated July 25, 1919.

This sheet is a bromide copy of Colbert's revision of 1917. The work consisted of examining the copy and making the alterations with the aid of the planetable. Mr. R. F. A. Studde, Jr. H. & G. E., and two men from the deck comprised the party. They were quartered on the U.S.C. & G.S.S. WENONAH, lying at Oakland Municipal dock, reaching the working grounds by carline. The party would leave the NATOMA at San Francisco on Monday morning and report back on Friday nights.

No traverses were run, the topographer locating himself when necessary by the aid of contiguous topography, or such signals as could be used. No planetable positions were established.

The changes which have occurred on the southern end of the sheet are mostly given by attached prints. Two important changes occur here, the elimination of the Long Wharf, off Oakland Mole, and the new Union Construction Works which is located a little north of Oakland Mole. A print of this plant accompanies the sheet. Another rather important feature is the removal of the piles driven by the Navy Engineers, off of Fleming Point and Point Isabel. The other changes in the sheet are of minor importance.

It is noted that the charts give the name "El Cerrito" to a locality at about Latitude 37° 55' 30", Longitude 122° 21'. The town of El Cerrito is just north of Berkeley, as shown on a print of Berkeley which accompanies this sheet. The limits of the sheet are insufficient to show its location on the sheet.

[Signature]

F. Y. Cudde
HYDROGRAPHIC AND GEODETIC ENGINEER
CHIEF OF PARTY, C. & G. S.
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
WASHINGTON

SECTION OF FIELD RECORDS.
REPORT ON TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET 36532
Surveyed in 1920.

Inked by R. F. A. Studds.

1. The plan and character of the work fulfill the requirements of the General Instructions. The changes should have been shown in color so that they might be easily distinguished from the old work.

2. The plan and extent of the work satisfy the specific instructions.

3. No further surveying is required within the area covered by the sheet.

4. The character and scope of the surveying and field drafting are good.

5. Reviewed by E. P. Ellis, October, 1921.
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Register No. 36552

State     S. E. Alaska
General locality  Wrangell Island
Locality    Wrangell Waterfront
Chief of party  Harold A. Cotton
Surveyed by     Ira T. Sanders
Date of survey  October 17, 1928.
Scale        1:10,000.
Heights in feet above
Contour interval    feet.
Inked by I.T.S.  Lettered by I.T.S.

Records accompanying sheet (check those forwarded): Photographs, Descriptive report, Horizontal angle books, Field computations, Data from other sources affecting sheet

Remarks: A revision of important changes on the Wrangell waterfront.
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Register No. 3653A

REVISION
State ... California ...
General locality ... San Francisco Bay - E. Shore
Locality ... Oakland to Brooks Island ...
Chief of party ... E.C. Engle ...
Surveyed by ... R.F.A. Studie ...
Date of survey ... March 1920 ...
Scale ... 1 to 10,000 ...
Heights in feet above ... ...
Contour interval ... feet ...
Inked by ... R.F.A.S. ... Lettered by ... R.F.A.S ...
Records accompanying sheet (check those forwarded): Photographs, Descriptive report, Horizontal angle books, Field computations, Data from other sources affecting sheet 10 prints ...

Remarks: Two prints attached to bromide copy of Alameda waterfront and not accompanying this sheet, affect the changes in streets and railroads on this sheet.