Form 504
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Type of Survey: Planimetric

Field No.: Office No.: T-5897

LOCALITY

State: Florida
General locality: Lake Okeechobee
Locality: Florida East Coast, Entrance to Indian Prairie Canal.

Photos: Jan. 9, 1940

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CHIEF OF PARTY

Lt. Comdr. Kenneth G. Crosby

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DATE: May 27, 1947
Applied to chart 1289  7/16/43  G.T.E  (before review)
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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........................

REGISTER NO. T-5897

State ............ Florida

General Locality ...... Lake Okeechobee (Florida East Coast)

Locality .......... Lake Okeechobee Entrance to Indian Prairie Canal Photos

Scale 1:10,000 Date of survey ... January 9, 1940

Party No. ............ Air Photographic Party No. 1

Chief of party ......... Lieut. Comdr. Kenneth G. Crosby

Field Inspected by: Lieut. James D. Thurmond

Surveyed by.............. Harold V. Reid, Sr. Engineering Draftsman

Heights in feet above ... to ground to tops of trees

Contour, Approximate contour, Form line interval .... feet

Instructions dated ...... April 3, 1940

Remarks: ..............................................................
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**PHOTOGRAPHS**

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Tide from predicted tables for: None

**CAMERA:** U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey Nine Lens (focal length 8¼ inches)

**SCALE**

- Mean scale of Photographs: 1:10,000 ± 1,000
- Scale of Survey Sheet: 1:10,000

**STATISTICS**

- Area (land): None, Square statute miles
- Shoreline (more than 200 m. from opposite shore): " Statute miles
- Shoreline (creeks): " Statute miles
- Roads, streets, trails, and railroads: " Statute miles

**REFERENCE STATION**

- Station: None
- Latitude: 
- Datum: 
- Longitude: 

GENERAL

This sheet was compiled in accordance with "Instructions for Drafting Air Photographic Surveys, Project H.T. 242", dated April 3, 1940.

The general location of the area, covered by this survey sheet, is Lake Okeechobee (Florida East Coast). The immediate vicinity is the northwest part of Lake Okeechobee.

The entire area of this survey sheet is practically void of solid land. Grass in water covers this sheet as a whole within its detailing limits. A small amount of marsh land appears in the extreme northwest corner and a few small spoil areas bordering a dredged channel.

No photograph centers appear within the detailing limits of this sheet. The sheet was drafted from photographs whose picture center falls outside said detailing limits, viz: photographs No. 4625 and No. 4626.

MAIN RADIAL PLOT

A continuous radial plot was run on August 6 and 7, 1942, for the purpose of locating all photograph centers, all hydrographic stations, topographic stations, bench marks, azimuth marks and radial points. The plot extended over the area covered by sheets T-5893 - T-5899 inclusive. All photographs in the area were used. It extends along the west side of the lake from a point just north of Moore Haven, Florida, to a point slightly south of Okeechobee, Florida. Photographs forming the southern limits are 4636, 4641 and 4646. The most northern one is 4614.

There were 24 templates used, all being for 9 lens photographs and being controlled by triangulation stations as follows: 1 template by 4; 1 by 3; 5 by 2; 13 by 1; 4 by 0. The existing triangulation was sparse but proved adequate for controlling the plot.

The usual practice of laying the plot was followed. This consisted of plotting the control on the survey sheets and then transferring it to the base grid sheets by matching grid squares. The agreement between the grid lines on the survey sheet and those on the base grid was good and only small adjustment was necessary. After laying the plot the intersections of radial lines were transferred to the survey sheet by again matching grid squares as previously described.

Overlapping points were transferred from a previous plot which covered sheets T-5890, T-5891, T-5892 and T-5894 to sheets T-5893 and T-5894. By holding these points the laying of templates proceeded north and northeast until a junction was made with existing points on a previous plot covering sheets T-5900 - T-5903 inclusive. The agreement along the flight lines and the intersections of radial lines to adjacent photographs was good. In some instances where a good intersection was not formed by the radial lines the "cuts" were transferred to the survey sheet for further investigation by the draftsman. They are as follows: Sheet T-5893 had 7; T-5894 had 0; T-5895 had 1; T-5896 had 5; T-5897 had 3; T-5898 had 14; T-5899 had 6. In addition to these a number of two-cut intersections were transferred to the survey
sheets. About 10 percent of all points were 2-cut intersections, being caused by the single flight line covering most of the plot. All other points were established by the intersections of from 3 to 6 radial lines.

This is a very good plot and considered strong enough for accurate detailing of the survey sheets. No large or unusual adjustments were necessary; and all points are picked within 0.25 m.m. of their true position.

Various colored inks were used on the photographs and survey sheets to designate control, topographic stations and radial points.

The following key is furnished for reference:

Photographs

- Triangulation & Traverse Stations...........2.5 m.m. blue circle
- Hydrographic and topographic stations.......2.5 m.m. green circle
- Radial Points in the main plot.............2.5 m.m. red circle
- Additional radial points....................3.5 m.m. red circle
- Photograph centers..........................Double white circle

Survey Sheets

- Triangulation and traverse stations...........3.5 m.m. high black triangle
- Hydrographic and topographic stations.......2.5 m.m. black circle
- Radial Points on main plot..................2.5 m.m. blue circle on back
- Additional radial points....................3.5 m.m. blue circle on back
- Photograph centers..........................Double blue circle on back

INTERPRETATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographs as referred to in the above general description were reasonably clear and no difficulty was experienced in interpreting detail.

FIELD INSPECTION

Field inspection was made by Lieut. James D. Thurmond during April 1942.

DETAILING

This sheet was detailed in accordance with the current instructions for this project.

The photographs used for this drawing were reasonably clear and of good scale.

The use of the stereoscope was not found necessary in drafting the sheet.

Before detailing, the surface of this sheet was rubbed with magnesium carbonate and washed off. No additional cleaning or reinking has been necessary.

The legend used by the field inspection party and by the draftsman
has been made a part of this report.

COMPARISON WITH OTHER SURVEYS

There are no existing surveys in this area with which accurate comparison could be made.

JUNCTIONS

This sheet joins sheet T-5896 on the west and Sheet T-5898 on the North. Both junctions are in good agreement.

LANDMARKS

There are no prominent landmarks on this sheet.

Respectfully submitted,
Harold V. Reid
Sr. Engineering Draftsman

Forwarded by:
Kenneth G. Crosby, Chief of Party.
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**Illustrations:**
- Zone high waterline (red line) = first line
- Zone low waterline (red line) = second line
- Light line (white line) = line for use by hydroplaner
- Bank = bank
- Harbor = harbor
- Nautical = nautical
- Tug = tug
- Encroachment = encroachment
- Light line = light line
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**Abbreviations:**
- Z = Zone
- C = Control
- CT = Navigational Tower
- B = Bank (shoal)
- H = Harbor
- D = Dredge
- L = Light (light)
- B = Beacon
- S = Start (line)
- N = Nautical
- T = Tug
- I = Inlet
- R = Reef
- M = Marker
- O = Obstruction
- E = Encroachment

**Notes:**
- White = white
- Black = black
- Red = red
- Yellow = yellow
- Green = green
- Purple = purple

**Additional Information:**
- Florida Geodetic Survey
- U.S. Coast and Geodetic Survey
- U.S. naval coastal survey
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Names underlined in red approved by L. C. H. on 12/17/43.
Division of Photogrammetry

Review of Planimetric Map T-5897

This map was compiled in the Tampa Office and submitted to Washington in September 1942, but the Washington Office processing was delayed by war map work of the Bureau. The map was reviewed in 1944, drafted in 1945, printed in 1946, and registered in 1947.

Shoreline changes.

Almost the entire area of this sheet is outside the shoreline. The sheet consists of an area of grass in the water. As received from the Tampa Office this was merely labeled grass in water. During review this area has been detailed to show marsh islands, dense grass in water, and scattered grass in water in the same manner as these features are shown on T-5898 to the north.

Comparison with Previous Surveys.

T-5897 has been compared with T-4130, 1:20,000, 1924 and supersedes that survey over the common area. On T-5897 an attempt was made to delineate the grass in water areas. These were omitted on T-4130. Therefore, the appearance of the two surveys is almost totally different.

Comparison with Nautical Charts.

T-5897 was applied to chart 1289 prior to this review. Extensive changes have been made in the shoreline and area just outside of the shoreline during this review and these affect the chart. These changes are shown in red on the manuscript and have been incorporated on the printed copy.

Reviewed under the direction of D. H. Benson.

This report prepared by E. G. Jones from reviewer's notes, May 1947.
APPROVED BY:

B.A. Jones 5/47
Technical Assistant to the
Chief, Div. of Photogrammetry

S. P. Ettinger
Chief, Nautical Chart Br.
Division of Charts

K.T. Adams
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C. R. Green
Chief, Div. of Coastal
Surveys
### NAUTICAL CHARTS BRANCH

SURVEY NO. **H-5897**

Record of Application to Charts

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A basic hydrographic or topographic survey supersedes all information of like nature on the uncorrected chart. Give reasons for deviations, if any, from recommendations made under "Comparison with Charts" in the Review.