DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY
R. S. Patton, Director

State: Washington

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT
Topographic Sheet No. X - 1935

LOCALITY
Puget Sound
Nisqually Reach

1935.

CHIEF OF PARTY
Jack Senior
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

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. X - 1935

REGISTER NO.

State.................................................. Washington

General locality.................................. Puget Sound

Locality............................................. Nisqually Reach (S.W. Part)

Scale 1:10,000 Date of survey... September, 1935.

Vessel.............................................. U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER

Chief of Party......................... Jack Senior

Surveyed by............................... Edwin C. Baum

Inked by........................................ Edwin C. Baum

Heights in feet above M.H.W. to ground

Approximate contour, interval 50 feet

Instructions dated........................March 29, 1934.

Remarks:........................................................................


DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

TO ACCOMPANY TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET "X",

PUGET SOUND - WASHINGTON

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Jack Senior, Chief of Party, C. & G. S.
DESCRIPTIVE REPORT
TO ACCOMPANY TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET "X - 1935"
PUGET SOUND - WASHINGTON.

AUTHORITY:
Survey was executed in accordance with Director's Instructions dated March 29, 1934, Project H. T. - 171.

LIMITS:
This survey lies on the south shore of Nisqually Reach and extends from Puget southeastward to Nisqually Head.

GENERAL DESCRIPTION:
The entire shore line is irregular in appearance, being broken by numerous small sloughs and steep dirt eroding bluffs of varying heights.

Irregular shaped hills, giving way to indeterminate valleys, constitute the character of the topography.

The entire area is heavily wooded with both deciduous and evergreen trees.

The sloughs previously mentioned are mud bottom and run dry at certain stages of the tide.

CONTROL:
Triangulation control points executed during the seasons of 1924 and 1925, and based on North American 1927 datum were used.

SURVEYING METHODS:
Standard planetable survey methods were used. One cut was obtained on each topographic signal from triangulation station "AND - 1924", on north shore of Reach. Other cuts were made from stations on the south shore, when visibility permitted. Traverses were then run between triangulation stations. The traversed topographic station points in each instance fell on the cut, if only one, or at intersection of cuts where two or more were obtained. This method constantly checks the topography.

No error resulted.
All off-lying features were rodded in.

CONTOURS:

An auxiliary projection encompassing the area of this sheet and parts of sheet "V - 1935" was built. The shoreline and signals were transferred to projection from both sheets. The contours could then be executed in the usual manner. Contours were transferred to this sheet as shown.

See Descriptive Report "C - 1935", paragraph under Contours, for further explanation.

DOCKS:

One dock, the Giant Powder Company's dock, was found in this area. This dock is in excellent condition and is in use at present.

A sign marked "Giant Powder Co. Dock, High Explosives - Keep Off", located at each end of dock is self explanatory.

The structure shown at topographic signal "MUD" is the remains of a logging dock. This was used, only to dump logs from, and not for boat docking.

COMPARISON WITH CHART NO. 6460:

Except for the addition of Giant Powder Company's dock and small dock at topographic signal "MUD" no changes are noted.

The chart shows no contours in this area, prohibiting a comparison of same.

TOPOGRAPHIC SIGNALS:

Except as noted on sheet, all topographic signals shown outside of highwater line are targets attached to stumps, fallen trees, and etc., and are not of a permanent nature.

GEOGRAPHIC NAMES:

Nisqually Reach - well established name.

Nisqually Head - well established name.
LOW WATER LINE:

The low water line was transferred from smooth hydrographic sheets.

Respectfully submitted,

Edwin C. Baum,
Jr. H. & G. Engr., C. & G. S.,
U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

Jack Senior,
Commanding Officer,
U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER.
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RETURN TO

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C. K. Green
Title (Par. 56) Miquelle Reach, Washington

Chief of Party Jack Smalw Surveyed by E.C. Baum Inked by E.C. Baum

Ship Explorer Instructions dated Mar. 28, 1924 Surveyed in Sept. 1925

1. The survey and preparation for it conform to the requirements of the Topographic Manual. (Par. 7, 8, 9, 13, 16.)

2. The character and scope of the survey satisfy the instructions.

3. The control and closures of traverses were adequate. (Par. 12, 20.)
   No closures listed

4. The amount of vertical control that the Manual specifies for contours-formlines was accomplished. (Par. 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23.)
   See also Descriptive Report "Contours" for 76455

5. The delineation of contours-formlines is satisfactory. (Par. 49, 50.)

6. There is sufficient control on maps from other sources that were transmitted by the field party to enable their application to the charts. (Par. 28.) None Submitted

7. High water line on marshy and mangrove coast is clear and adequate for chart compilation. (Par. 16a, 43, 44.)

8. The representation of low water lines, reefs, coral reefs, and rocks, and legends pertaining to them is satisfactory. (Par. 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41.)

9. Rocks and other important details shown on previous surveys and on the chart were verified. (Par. 25, 26, 27.)
   See Reverse Side

10. The span, draw and clearance of bridges are shown. (Par. 16c.)

11. Locations and elevations of summits are given. (Par. 19, 51.)

12. The tree line was shown on mountains. (Par. 16g.)
   Tree cover area of this survey

NOTE: Strike out paragraphs, words or phrases not applicable and modify those requiring it. Paragraph numbers refer to those in the Topographic Manual. Use reverse side for extending remarks.
Paragraph 9

T1672 (1878)

This survey is on a scale of 1:20,000 whereas the present survey is on 1:10,000. Due to this difference in scale the present survey is much more in detail than T1672. Rocks shown on T1672 are well within the L. W. line on the present survey. Several docks and piling have changed the detail on the present survey over T1672.

T1672-b (1909)

This revision survey of T1672 does not show any additional detail over T1672 not incorporated in the present survey.

T5455 supersedes T1672-b in part.

A comparison with Chart 6460 showed no important changes in detail.
13. The descriptive report covers all details listed in the Manual, in so far as they apply to this survey. (Par. 64, 65, 66, 67.)

14. The descriptive report also contains additional information required in aero-topography relative to type of photographs, method of compilation and type of ground control.

15. The descriptions of recoverable stations and references to shore line were accomplished on Form 524. (Par. 29, 30, 57, 67 except scaling of DMs and DPs, 68.) None Submitted

16. A list of landmarks for charts was furnished on Form 567 and plotting checked. (Par. 16d, e, 60.) None Submitted

17. The magnetic meridian was shown and declination was checked. (Par. 17, 52.) Declination checked value on chart.
No note of having checked declinature

18. The geographic datum of the sheet is N.A. 1927/Adjusted and the reference station is correctly noted. (Par. 34.)

19. Junctions with contemporary surveys are adequate.

J 645 on the East.
J 645 on the West.

20. Geographic names are shown on the sheet and are covered by the Descriptive report. (Par. 64, 66k.)

21. The quality of the drafting is good. (Par. 31, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50.)

22. No additional surveying is recommended.

23. The Chief of Party inspected and approved the sheet and the descriptive report after review by-

24. Remarks:

Reviewed in office by

Chas. R. Burk Jr. June 30, 1936

Examined and approved:

G. W. Green
Chief, Section of Field Records

R. O. Robertson
Chief, Division of Charts

Fred. L. Peacock
Chief, Section of Field Work

Fred. W. Pack
Chief, Division of Hyd. and Topo.