**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT**

**Type of Survey**  
Topographic

**Field No.**  
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**Office No.**  
T-6936

**LOCALITY**

**State**  
Alaska-Aleutian Islands

**General locality**  
Adak Island

**Locality**  
Finger Bay

**1943**

**CHIEF OF PARTY**

G. C. Mattison

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**DATE**  
February 8, 1944
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U.S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

TOPOGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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Field No. M

REGISTER NO.

State. Aleutian Islands

General locality. Andreanof Islands

Locality. Adak Island - Finger Bay

Scale. 1:5,000 Date of survey. June 1943


Chief of party. G. C. Mattison

Surveyed by. Max G. Ricketts

Inked by. Max G. Ricketts

Heights in feet above ground to tops of trees

Contour, Approximate contour, Form line interval. feet

Instructions dated. 19

Remarks:

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DESCRIPTIVE REPORT
TO ACCOMPANY TOPOGRAPHIC SHEET "M"
PROJECT CS-218

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AUTHORITY:
The work on this sheet was done at the request of the Navy Department.

LIMITS & SCALE:
This survey covers the southwest arm of Finger Bay from triangulation station "HEEL", 1943 on the northeast to topographic station "Hut" on the southeast, joining topographic sheet "L", at these points.
T=6435a(1943)
The scale of the survey is 1:5,000.

PURPOSE:
This survey was made to establish control for a hydrographic survey and establish shoreline of the area.

CONTROL:
The control consists of triangulation established by the EXPLORER, on U.S. Navy datum. Unalaska Datum added in Washington.

MAGNETIC OBSERVATIONS:
The following declinatory observations were made:

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SURVEY METHODS:
Standard planitable methods were followed. Triangulation stations "HEEL", "TOE", and "FINGER", were occupied for cuts, planitable triangulation was carried to the end of the arm. Short traverses being used as required in the vicinity of "FINGER."
Marked topographic stations are underlined on the sheet.

CHARACTER OF COUNTRY:

Except for the extreme head of the bay and that of the small bay east of "FINGER", the shoreline is generally rocky with low bluffs extending to the water line. The heads of the two bays are sand and gravel beaches. The area at the end of the arm has been occupied by the military authorities.

COMPARISON WITH EXISTING SURVEYS:

The only available survey covering this area is H.O. chart No. 5631. No detailed comparison was made. The area indicated at the head of the bay is under construction, plans being to change all shoreline in the area.

GEOGRAPHIC NAMES:

The name Finger Bay, was taken from H.O. Chart No. 5631, and is in use by the military authorities.

STATISTICS:

Statute Miles of Shoreline 5.9

Respectfully submitted,

Max G. Ricketts,
Lieut. C. & G. S.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED:

J. C. Mattison,
Commanding Officer,
U.S.C. & G.S.S. EXPLORER.
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Names underlined in red approved by L. Heck on 4/14/44.
MEMORANDUM
IMMEDIATE ATTENTION

SURVEY DESCRIPTIVE REPORT  No. H  {
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REVIEW OF TOPOGRAPHIC SURVEY

Aleutian Islands; Adak Island; Finger Bay
Surveyed June 1943; Scale 1:5,000
Project C. S. 218

Registry No. 6936
Field No. M

Plane Table Survey
Aluminum Mounted

Chief of Party - G. C. Mattison
Surveyed and inked by - M. G. Ricketts
Reviewed by - J. A. McCormick, April 19, 1943
Inspected by - H. R. Edmonston

1. Adjoining Surveys
Satisfactory junctions were effected with T-6933a (1943) on the east.

2. Previous Surveys
Navy surveys H-6889 (scale 1:15,000) and T-6941 (scale 1:40,000) of 1933 are not nearly as detailed as the present 1:5,000 scale survey; also, there is a lateral displacement of more than 100 meters in the shoreline of the 1933 surveys, their control apparently breaking down as it left the triangulation stations at the entrance to the bay. Both of the older surveys can be disregarded in the common area.

3. Comparison with Chart 9119 (Print of Dec. 10, 1943)
Topography charted in this area is from B. P. 37293, a preliminary field compilation of the results of the 1943 surveys. Differences between the chart and the survey are minor and may have been eliminated on a later print which is now in Reproduction.

There appears to be several degrees of local attraction in the magnetic declination determined at Triangulation Station FINGER (descriptive report, page 1).

4. Compliance with Project Instructions
Satisfactory.
5. Additional Field Work Recommended
   None.

Examined and approved:

Robert W. Under
Chief, Surveys Branch

J. H. Borden
Chief, Division of Charts

Earl O. Heaton
Chief, Section of Hydrography

Chief, Division of Coastal Surveys
Applied to drawing 9 chart 9141 - Feb. 1944 - JW
" " " " " 9119 July 8, 1944 6 a.m.
" " " " " 8863 Oct. 27, " no conf. 718a.
Finger Bay Seismic (USGS) 1949 (d) was plotted in green ink from position obtained by a 1:10,000 scale photo plot in September 1949. Form 524 and M-2226-12 (picking card) are filed in the Division of Photogrammetry.

L. C. Lande, Chief
Graphic Compilation Section
Division of Photogrammetry