**DESCRIPTIVE REPORT**

**Type of Survey**  Graphic Control

**Field No.** M & P  **Office No.** 70164B

**LOCALITY**

- **State:** Mississippi & Alabama
- **General locality:** Mississippi Sound
- **Locality:** Dauphin Island & Petit Bois Island

**CHIEF OF PARTY**

E.L. Jones and Ross A. Gilmore

**DATE**  July 3, 1946
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

TOPOGRAPHIC TITLE SHEET

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Registry No. 7014b
Field No. F
Scale 1:30,000

State Mississippi
General locality Mississippi Sound
Specific locality Petit Bois Island

Dates: Survey began 29 March 46 Completed 10 April 46

Photography, supplemented by ground surveys to
Project No. PH-1(46) Instructions dated 7 Dec 45; Sup 1 28 Dec 45; Sup 2 5 Jan 46
Sup 3 31 Jan 46
Vessel Party or Shore Chief of party
Field work by R. R. Kim Office work by Frank J. Lesslie and R. R. Kim

Final inking by Frank J. Lesslie

Ground elevations Treetop elevations in feet above M. H. W. or

Contours Approximate contours by Planetable Multiplex Interval ft.
Form lines

REMARKS

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Registry No. 7014 2 G C.
Field No. M
Scale 1:30,000

State Alabama
General locality Mississippi Sound
Specific locality Dauphin Island

Dates: Survey began 21 March 46, Completed 26 March 46

Photography, Supplemented by ground surveys to
Project No. Instructions dated 7 Dec 45; Sup 1 28 Dec 45; Sup 2 5 Jan 46
Vessel or Shore Chief of party Edmund L. Jones - Hose A. Gilmore
Party Field work by R.R. Kim Office work by Frank J. Lesslie and R.R. Kim

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Ground elevations in feet above
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Remarks

U. S. Government Printing Office 16-2812-1
PROJECT: Ph-1(45) DATE OF INSTRUCTIONS: 7Dec45; Sup.1, 28Dec45; Sup. 2, 3Jan46; Sup. 3, 3Jan46.

DATUM: N A 1927 DATE OF FIELD WORK: 21Mar46 - 10Apr46

PURPOSE: To locate existing aids to navigation and make major topographic revisions of the shoreline and adjacent detail.

METHODS: There are no permanent fixed aids to navigation (steel or masonry structures) on these sheets requiring 3rd order triangulation location.

The position of all fixed aids to navigation formerly located by triangulation were verified by planetable cuts before using as control on these sheets.

All existing non-permanent fixed aids to navigation were located on these sheets by three or more planetable cuts except:

SHEET "P"
Petit Beis Island Light was located by two planetable cuts and a stadia distance.

SHEET "N"
As Bayou LaBatre Range Rear Light and Bayou LaBatre Range Front Light did not fall in the area covered by Sheet "N" an insert was made on the northwest corner of the sheet. The above lights were located on the insert by two planetable cuts and a sextant angle. A stadia distance was taken between the two lights as an additional check. These observations are recorded in Vol. 14, page 11.

All existing floating aids to navigation were located on Sheet "N" by three-point sextant fixes with check angles. These observations are recorded in Vol. 14, pages 1 to 9 inclusive.

All existing floating aids to navigation were located on Sheet "P" by three or more planetable cuts except the following which were located by three point sextant fixes with check angles:

Grand Batture Island Shoal Lighted Buoys
Pascagoula Channel Buoys 24
Pascagoula Channel Buoys 28
Pascagoula Channel Buoys 30

These observations are recorded in Vol. 14, page 12 and 13.
There were no aerial photographs or planimetric maps for the area covered by these sheets. A visual check was made on Chart 1267 and changes are discussed under major topographic changes in this report.

HORIZONTAL CONTROL: Triangulation stations not needed in the course of work on this project have not been plotted on these sheets in accordance with the instructions.

The following recovery notes are submitted for only the stations recovered or searched for during the field work.

Pins 2, 1935
Bayou Labatre Beacon No. 2, 1935
Herb 3, 1935
Isle Aux Herbes Beacon, 1935
Mid 3, 1935
Dauphin Island West Base, 1847
Dauphin, 1935
Bois, 1935
Pascagoula River Entrance, Beacon B, 1935
Sip, 1935
West 2, 1935
Horn Island Lighthouse, 1910
Lake, 1935
Bayou Labatre Beacon No. 4, 1935
Pascagoula Municipal Pier Flagpole, 1935

VERTICAL CONTROL: The recovery of vertical control was not required.

LANDMARKS: A complete landmark inspection was made for that part of this sheet covering the 1:40,000 scale Intracoastal Waterway charts.

There are no new landmarks recommended for charting. One already charted is recommended for deletion.

Landmarks have been reported on form 567 by areas in accordance with instructions, and are submitted in Special Report, Project Ph-1 (45), Biloxi, Miss. - Mobile Bay, Ala. Area. Chart Letter 239 (1946)

GEOGRAPHIC NAMES: No systematic investigation of geographic names was required. New names and discrepancies with existing charted names obtained during the course of field work has been made the subject of a special report and submitted by areas. These sheets are covered in Special Report Project Ph-1 (45), Biloxi, Miss. - Mobile Bay, Ala. Area. Chart Letter 239 (1946)
BRIDGES: There were no bridges in the area covered by these sheets.

COAST PILOT: Coast Pilot additions and corrections were obtained during the course of the field work and are submitted in Special Report, Project Ph-1(45), Biloxi, Miss. - Mobile Bay, Ala. Area.

DISCREPANCIES: AIDS TO NAVIGATION; The discrepancies as listed on the sheet attached to the back of this report, were noted in the field with the published description of aids to navigation in the Light List or on Nautical Charts in the area covered by these sheets and were reported by letter to the Director in accordance with instructions.

TOPOGRAPHIC CHANGES:

Sheet "N" - The shoreline at the western end of Dauphin Island has changed so as to be significant on a 1:40,000 scale chart and was delineated on the sheet by stadia methods.

The eastern end of Petit Bois Island has washed away, except for the extreme eastern tip which is now an island. The eastern end of Petit Bois Island proper is now about 1½ miles to the westward.

The northeastern part of the small island that was once the eastern end of Petit Bois Island has been delineated by stadia methods on sheet "N", and is shown on chart section 4 by a solid red line. The remainder of the island which falls off the sheet has been sketched in on chart section 4 by a dashed red line. (Sheet "N" does not cover the area as indicated on the layout map.)

The eastern end of Petit Bois Island has been sketched in on chart section 4, as it falls off the sheet.

It should be noted that triangulation station Bois, 1935 does not plot on chart 1287 at the eastern tip of Petit Bois Island but approximately one-half mile to the northward. The position of triangulation station Bois, 1935 as plotted on sheet "N" appears correct as no difficulty was encountered in obtaining a check orientation when the theodolite was set up at the station. There is now no land area in the immediate vicinity of what is shown as the eastern tip of Petit Bois Island on chart 1287. In other words there is no land to southward of triangulation station Bois, 1935.

Sheet "P" - The eastern end of Horn Island has washed away, except for the extreme eastern tip which is now an island. The eastern end of Horn Island proper is now about one (1) mile to the westward. These changes were delineated on the sheet by stadia methods.
MAGNETIC MERIDIAN: The magnetic meridian was drawn on sheet "N" at triangulation station DAUPHIN, 1935 and checked at triangulation station DAUPHIN ISLAND WEST BASE, 1947.

MISCELLANEOUS: Two three-pile structures with small red box top are located approximately 720 meters northwest of triangulation station HORN ISLAND LIGHTHOUSE, 1910. They are not charted and are not listed in the Light List. They have the appearance of aids to navigation but no information could be obtained concerning them.

Submitted by

Robert R. Kim
Photo. Aid

Approved and forwarded;

Ross A. Gilmore
Chief of Party
# DISCREPANCIES IN DESCRIPTIONS

**AIDS TO NAVIGATION**

**BILOXI, MISS. - MOBILE BAY, ALA.**

Project Ph-1 (45)

17th April 1946

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* Light List - Atlantic & Gulf Coast
**These structures have the appearance of Aids to Navigation but no information concerning them can be obtained.**

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