

# Alaska Tideland Surveys

“Who, What, When, Where, How, Why”

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## ABSTRACT

Alaska Tideland Surveys – the 5 w’s. Surveys of tideland parcels are unique in several ways. Typically all corners are monumented with witness corners. DNR is usually the fee owner of the parcel, and the landward boundary is usually the mean high water line. Frequently, the line is fixed and limiting, because of avulsion, or placement of fill. This paper will briefly discuss how an applicant applies for a tideland lease or conveyance and how to conduct the survey and obtain state approval. Presenter: Gerald Jennings

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# **Alaska Tideland Surveys**

## **Introduction – who what why?**

Title to most of the tide and submerged lands surrounding Alaska was vested in the State of Alaska under the Submerged Lands Act of May 22, 1953. Most of those lands remain in state ownership and in most cases, the state will lease, but retain fee title. As a surveyor, you will be contacted about Alaska Tideland Surveys (ATS) by a public or private party who desires to lease or acquire tidelands for various reasons such as construction of docks, bridges, harbors, log transfer facilities, etc.

Another situation in which you may need to conduct an ATS is to facilitate conveyance of tide and submerged lands to local communities under AS 38.05.820 or .825.

What are tidelands? The DNR Fact Sheet Titled: Tide & submerged Land Ownership (appendix A) discusses tideland ownership and what are tide and submerged lands. Tidelands are those lands between the mean high and the mean low tide lines. State owned submerged lands are located seaward of the mean low tide line and extending out three nautical miles. A definition of tidelands is also found in AS 38.05.965.

Why are tideland surveys required? For lease or patent, it is required under AS 38.04.045(b) “Before the issuance of a long-term lease under AS 38.05.070 or of a patent for state land, an official cadastral survey shall be accomplished, unless a comparable, approved survey exists that has been conducted by the federal Bureau of Land Management.”

## **When? The Application Process**

Your client calls up and tells you that they need a survey. They want to build a dock and the state’s telling them that they need a survey. You respond, “I’ll be glad to help. At what step in your application at DNR?”. Sometimes applicants go for the survey too early. If you call the survey unit, we will ask for the ADL number, and we will check for a final decision. If the decision hasn’t been done yet, it is usually too early to get survey instructions, but not always. Occasionally, we will issue instructions based on an approved preliminary decision, but rarely before any decision is issued. We will need verification from the division’s adjudicator for instructions to go out before the final decision.

## **How To Conduct A Tideland Survey – Field Procedures**

Before beginning the field survey, obtain survey instructions from DNR –see below.

Monumentation: For the “normal” ATS survey you will set four monuments, two on the upland extension of each sideline. Typically, the upland owner is the tideland applicant, however if not, you need to obtain permission for setting monuments on the uplands.

Monuments are to meet the standards for primary monuments (11AAC53.), which includes a requirement for setting accessories. However, we will entertain requests to waive accessories in areas of dense monumentation.

Monument Marking: There has been some confusion on this subject over the years. The confusion is the marking of the two witness corners which are set on a sideline's upland extension. Occasionally a survey will show one of the two monuments marked as a witness corner to the nearest true corner, with the second monument as witnessing the seaward corner. This works, but is not preferred. What doesn't work, is sometimes a survey shows both witness monuments as witnessing the same corner, with no differentiation of markings on the two witness monuments. If one is lost, it is difficult to determine which is remaining.

The preferred marking is to label the witness corners as wc 1 and wc 2 to the nearest true meander corner. This way, lining up the two monuments will give the lay person an approximation of the ATS survey parcel's sideline as it crosses the water. But if the true location became critical, it would be determined by grant boundary adjustment between the true meander corners on the opposite sidelines of the survey. This is because the two witness corners are typically set too close together to be dependable as an extension seaward.

How to determine the landward boundary: Often, there are two lines which need to be compared, the existing line of mean high water (MHW), and the record line as per the adjacent upland survey.

The approximate location of the true mean high water line is determined by the use of National Geodetic Survey tidal bench marks (or any other bench marks that have been determined from that source), and the MHW datum for the immediate body of water. Ref: 11AAC53.120(1). If no such bench marks exist within one mile, then tidal observations may be taken and used in conjunction with official tide tables for the immediate body of water. A note shall be placed on the plat stating either:

Mean high tide was determined by time coordinated tidal observations on month day yr as extrapolated from the NOAA Publication for the predictions of high and low waters for (year).

or

Mean high tide was determined from \_\_\_\_\_ tidal bench mark on month day yr from data supplied by NOAA. Bench Mark Elev.:

So, how exactly is this done in the field? Typically, you will set a temporary bench mark near the project and run levels from NGS bench mark or if there is no bench mark within one mile, you take time coordinated tide readings. See appendices B, C and D; "DETERMINING MEAN HIGH TIDE WHERE AN NGS BENCH MARK EXISTS" and "DETERMINING MEAN HIGH TIDE IN AREAS WHERE NO NGS BENCH

MARKS EXIST”. The published MHW elevation for a particular body of water can be found on NOS Nautical Charts, NOS Tidal Bench Mark Data Sheets, or from the predicted tide tables.

To determine the meander line of record, it is necessary to tie monumentation from the record survey. You tie the nearest monument of the record survey in each direction, and using grant boundary adjustment procedures, fit the record meanders between the recovered monuments.

Once you’ve established the two lines, what do you do with them? This will ordinarily be addressed in the survey instructions. State regulations 11AAC53.120 set the guidelines for whether to set the upland boundary at the one line or the other.

In cases where it is determined that there has been an avulsive event, such as fill placed, or uplift (or subsidence), etc, the best evidence of the last location of the MHW prior to the event is used to set the line as a fixed and limiting boundary. This is usually the last survey of record, although sometimes aerial photography, surveys not of record or other evidence may be used.

A 50 foot public access easement is required by AS 38.05.127 and 11AAC51.045. Unless the easement is specifically waived in the final decision, it is required to be shown on the plat. The easement is along the existing mean high water line. There has been confusion on this in the past as the easement is to follow the existing MHW, not necessarily the landward boundary of the survey, which sometimes follows the record MHW line instead.

Note that the public access easement is applied 50 feet seaward and 50 upland of the existing MHW on uplands owned by the state. Thus, those surveys which because of fill, extend upland of the existing MHW, will have the easement applied both directions.

### **Other Issues**

Apportionment of tidelands: In cases of negotiated leases, the applicant’s tideland parcel is limited to tidelands adjacent to his upland parcel. Depending on the configuration of the shore, the surveyor may not be able to simply extend the upland boundary seaward, but should typically extend at the angle which bisects the shoreline meander. The surveyor must be aware of the adjacent upland owner’s rights to the tidelands.

How does accretion and erosion to the upland parcel’s affect the tidelands parcel? Where the landward boundary is ambulatory, the seaward boundary is fixed. Thus accretion to uplands, “erodes” away the tidelands parcel. Over time, a tideland parcel can disappear. On the other hand, erosion of the upland parcel, increases the size of the tideland parcel.

## Where Do You Get Survey Instructions?

You have received a final decision, and you would like to get the lands surveyed, how do you get started? Send a request for survey instructions to DNR's Land Survey Unit. The request should include the ADL number, a description of the lands which you want to have surveyed at this time, and the \$225 fee. It is preferable that you only request for lands that you actually plan to survey, as they have a two year expiration, after which they would have to be extended or completely reissued depending on how much things have changed.

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Depending on our workload, it may take a couple of months to get the instructions prepared. When the field work is complete, submit the project to DNR surveys for review. The review fee is \$200 for the first tract, plus \$50 per additional parcel.

If within a city or borough that exercises platting authority, you will need to go through the platting board for approval of the survey. When the survey meets DNR and local approval, the final plat will be signed by various parties and submitted for recording. The recording fee is \$20 for sheet 1, plus \$5 per additional sheet.

These fees are set out in 11 AAC 05.010 (a)(13) survey and platting.

(13) survey and platting

(A) issuance or amendment of survey instructions, \$50 for a remote recreational cabin site lease, replat, or right-of-way vacation, and \$225 for any other type of survey;

(B) plat review under AS 38.04.045 ,

(i) first review of first parcel or tract per plat, \$200, and \$50 for each additional parcel or tract per plat, with the second review at no charge;

(ii) third and each additional review of first parcel or tract per plat, \$300 each, and \$100 for each additional parcel or tract per plat;

# Fact Sheet

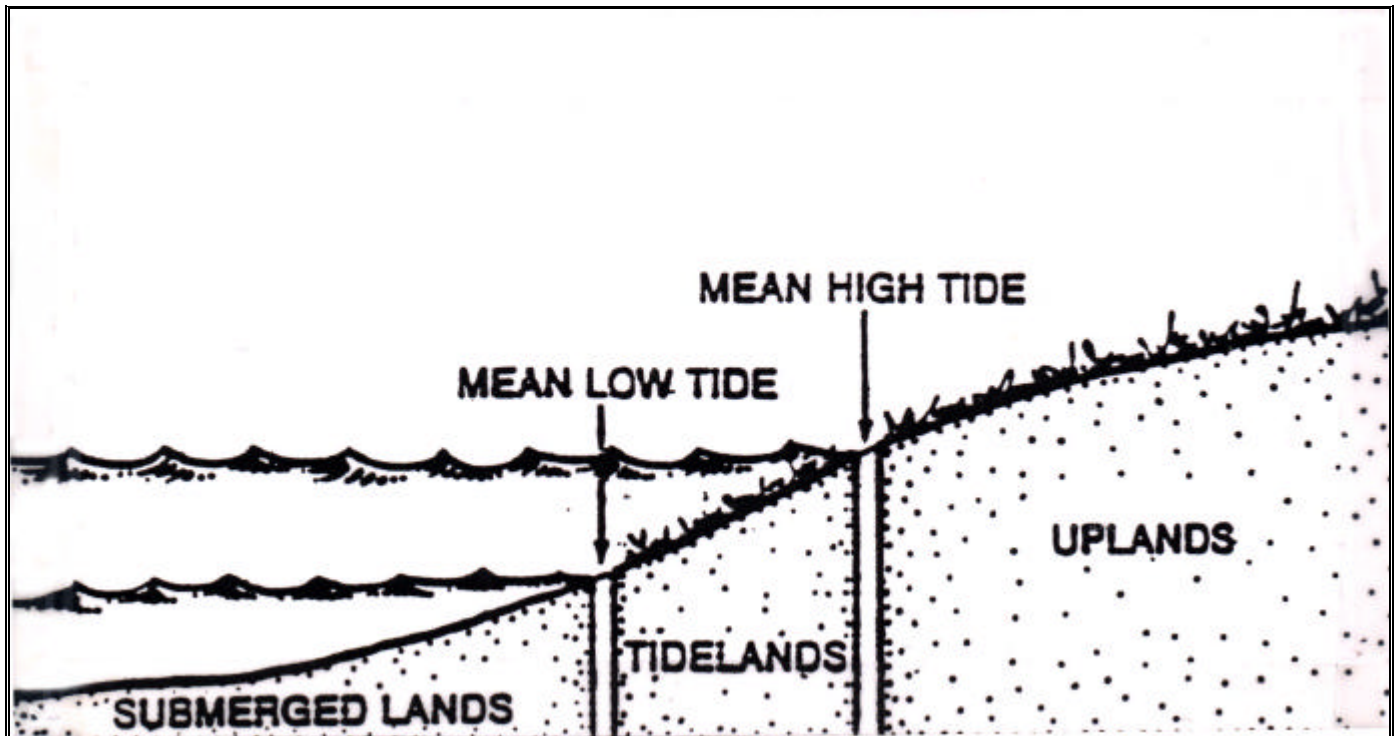


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## Title: Tide & Submerged Land Ownership

### *What are "tide and submerged" lands?*

Tidelands include the land between mean (average) high and mean low tide. Submerged lands are seaward of mean low tide to three miles offshore. The tide and submerged lands include all land between the mean high tide line and three miles offshore of the mean low tideline.



### *Who owns tide and submerged lands in Alaska?*

The State of Alaska owns most of the tide and submerged lands along its coastline. The submerged Lands Act of May 22, 1953 states that all lands permanently or periodically covered by tidal waters up to, but not above, the line of mean high tide and seaward to a line three geographical miles distant from the coast mean low tideline is owned by the state.

### *Can the state sell or lease its tide and submerged land?*

As a general rule, the State cannot sell tide and submerged land. However, certain cities and individuals or corporations may acquire title to tide and submerged land occupied or developed on or before January 3, 1959, the date Alaska was admitted to the union. There are several programs under which a lease of state tidelands may be acquired.

### *Can I use state tide and submerged lands, even if the state doesn't own the uplands?*

Yes, you can use state tide and submerged land, even if the uplands are not owned by the state. However, you must remember that you only have the right to use the land from mean high water seaward. You are also expected to respect the upland owner's rights and treat the land with care.



***Does the federal government own tidelands adjacent to its conservation units, such as National Parks?***

The question has been raised that the United States may own tidelands adjacent to certain federal withdrawals that exist prior to statehood. However, that question was answered on June 8, 1987 when the U.S. Supreme Court issued its decision in Utah v. United States. This decision established that federal land withdrawals made prior to statehood did not include land under navigable waters.

In that decision, the Supreme Court affirmed the longstanding policy that the federal government holds land under navigable waters for the ultimate benefit of a future state. In order for this not to be the case, congress would have to specifically include the land and clearly state that it intended that the state would not have title to it.

Tide and submerged lands were not included in any pre-statehood federal withdrawals within Alaska and there is no indication that Congress intended to take away the State of Alaska's title. The state therefore received title to all the tide and submerged lands at statehood.

Additionally, in the Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act, Congress did not take away the state's power to regulate state-owned submerged lands within or adjacent to federal Conservation System Units in Alaska. Many provisions in ANILCA recognize and respect the state's authority over state-owned land.

Where the uplands are within federal conservation units, the state has cooperated with federal land managers wherever possible. As a result, some special use restrictions may apply. Sometimes this cooperation is formally set out in a memorandum of understanding that discusses management issues and how they will be resolved.

***For additional information contact:***

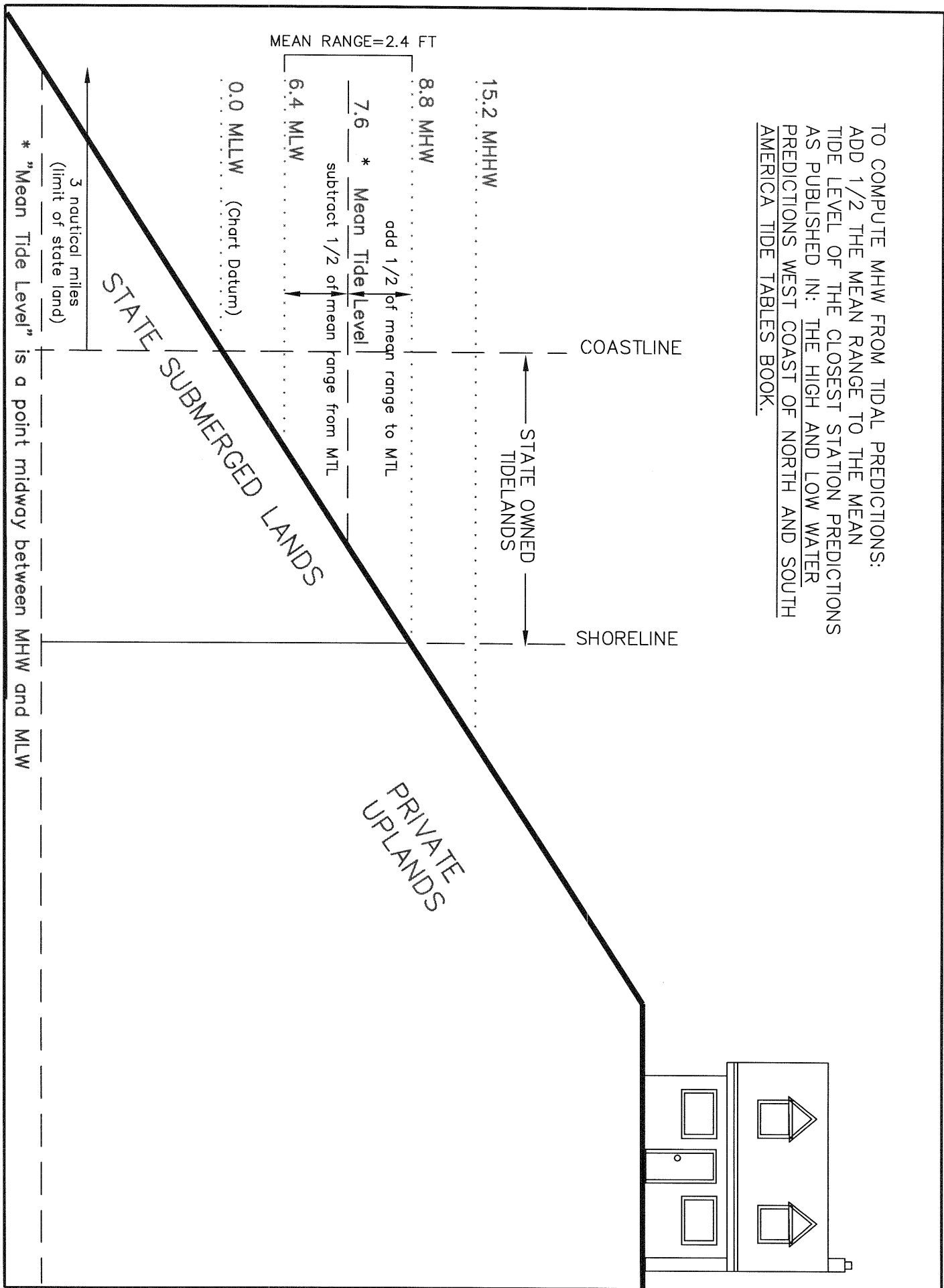
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TO COMPUTE MHW FROM TIDAL PREDICTIONS:  
 ADD 1/2 THE MEAN RANGE TO THE MEAN  
 TIDE LEVEL OF THE CLOSEST STATION PREDICTIONS  
 AS PUBLISHED IN: THE HIGH AND LOW WATER  
 PREDICTIONS WEST COAST OF NORTH AND SOUTH  
 AMERICA TIDE TABLES BOOK.



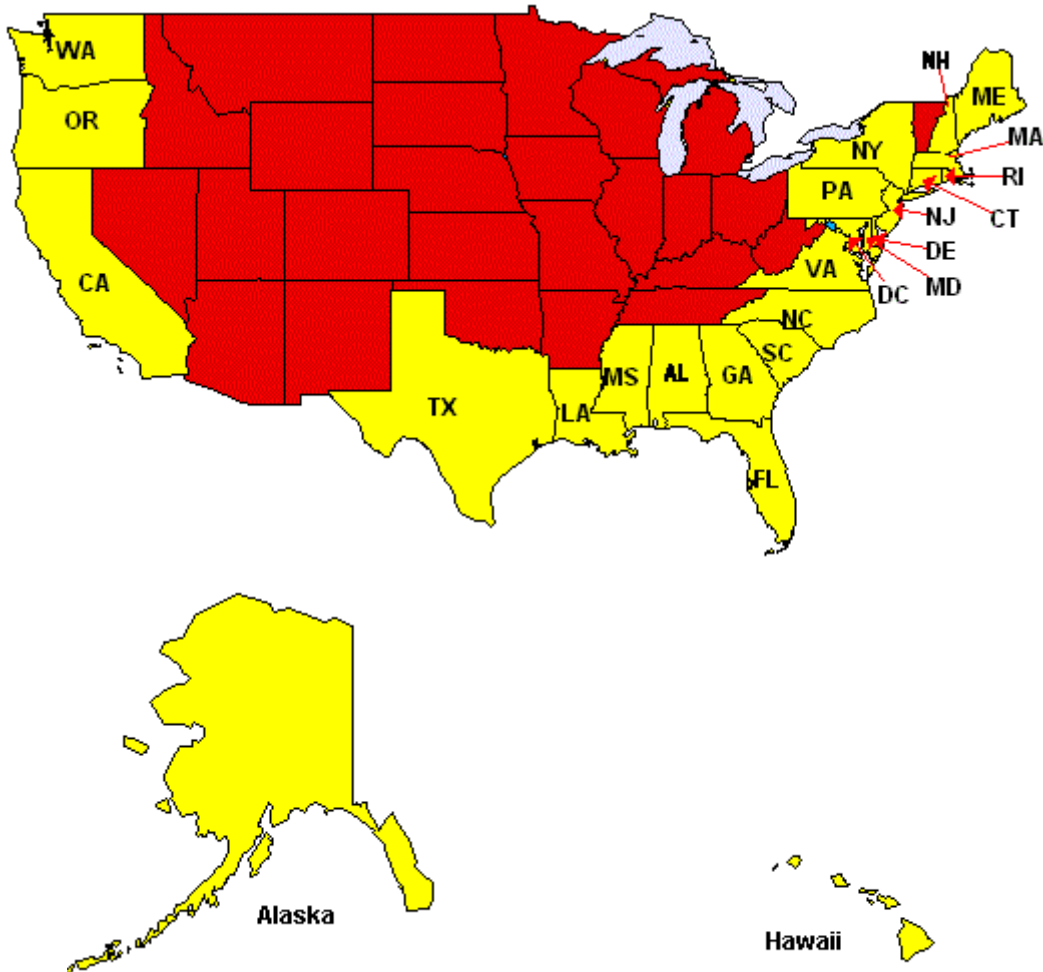
## DETERMINING MEAN HIGH TIDE WHERE AN NGS BENCH MARK EXISTS

1. NOAA Primary Control Stations and related benchmark data can be obtained at <http://co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/bench.html> or the State of Alaska/ DNR at (907) 269-8521. *Example: Juneau.*
2. Using a level and rod, run differential levels from one of the Control Station bench marks to the project location.
3. Establish a point on each sideline of the ATS survey at the mean high water elevation. Measure the witness distance from these points to the witness monuments.
4. When the tide level reaches this elevation, field survey the meanders within the project.



## PUBLISHED BENCHMARK SHEETS

Below is a map of states and geographical areas where CO-OPS maintains Published Benchmark Sheets. Specific stations are listed within each area.



Non U.S. Bench Marks



## Alaska Bench Marks

9450305 BOCA DE QUADRA , AK  
 9450460 KETCHIKAN, TONGASS NARROWS , AK  
 9450695 HUT POINT , AK  
 9450807 CONVENIENT COVE, HASSLER ISLAND , AK  
 9450811 FIN , AK  
 9450970 ENTRANCE TO ZIMOVIA STRAIT , AK  
 9451005 POINT HARRINGTON, SUMNER STRAIT , AK  
 9451037 VILLAGE ROCK, AK , AK  
 9451074 BUSHY ISLAND, SNOW PASSAGE , AK  
 9451124 STIKINE STRAIT , AK  
 9451204 WRANGELL, WRANGELL ISLAND , AK  
 9451218 VANK ISLAND, SUMNER STRAIT , AK

Click on station of interest.

The NOS bench mark sheets now contain links to corresponding NGS data sheets. Under the NOS vertical mark number (VM#) you may see a PID# link. Clicking on this link will bring up the corresponding NGS data sheet for that vertical mark.

For stations which do not list PID# links, the Latitude and Longitude of the station can be used to find data sheets for nearby PIDs by Clicking [HERE](#).

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Station ID: 9452210 PUBLICATION DATE: 11/02/1999  
Name: JUNEAU, GASTINEAU CHANNEL, STEPHENS PASS  
ALASKA  
NOAA Chart: 17315 Latitude: 58° 17.9' N  
USGS Quad: JUNEAU B-2 Longitude: 134° 24.9' W

T I D A L D A T U M S

Tidal datums at JUNEAU, GASTINEAU CHANNEL, STEPHENS PASS based on:

LENGTH OF SERIES: 5 YEARS  
TIME PERIOD: January 1994 - December 1998  
TIDAL EPOCH: 1960-1978  
CONTROL TIDE STATION:

Elevations of tidal datums referred to Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW), in METERS:

HIGHEST OBSERVED WATER LEVEL (11/02/1948)	=	7.395
MEAN HIGHER HIGH WATER (MHHW)	=	4.962
MEAN HIGH WATER (MHW)	=	4.675
MEAN SEA LEVEL (MSL)	=	2.615
MEAN TIDE LEVEL (MTL)	=	2.580
MEAN LOW WATER (MLW)	=	0.485
MEAN LOWER LOW WATER (MLLW)	=	0.000
LOWEST OBSERVED WATER LEVEL (01/01/1991)	=	-1.663

Bench Mark Elevation Information

In METERS above:

Stamping or Designation	MLLW	MHW
945 2210 TIDAL 8	11.836	7.161
12 1945	18.203	13.528
2210 C 1982	8.960	4.285
2210 D 1984	10.844	6.169
2210 E 1984	10.343	5.668
2210 G 1984	10.340	5.665
945 2210 TIDAL 9	9.714	5.039
BM WG-91 1994 ELEVATION 29.26	9.156	4.481
2210 J 1997	9.737	5.062
2210 H 1997	9.990	5.315



## DETERMINING MEAN HIGH TIDE IN AREAS WHERE NO NGS BENCH MARKS EXIST

1. In NOAA Tide Tables 2002, NOS High and Low Water Predictions or on the internet at: <http://co-ops.nos.noaa.gov/tpred2.html#AK> look up high tides and times for nearest Tide Station in Table 1. *Example: Juneau - June 12, 2002.*
  - A. Tide predictions in the NOAA Tide Predictions book are in Alaska Standard Time.
2. Look up nearest Place in Table 2. *Example: Cannery Cove, Phybus Bay.*
3. Add or subtract (or multiply by ratio factor) local correction factor to time of high tide in Table 1 to find predicted time of Local High Tide.  
*Example: 17:57-00:08 = 17:49.*
4. Using a level and rod observe the rising tide from ½ hour before to ½ hour after predicted time of high tide taking a minimum of six observations on the rod. Mean the observations and using the level and rod locate the mean elevation on the beach and mark with a temporary bench. This is the approximate High Tide for this location on this day at this time (AM or PM).
5. Apply local Height difference from Table 2 to High Tide at the nearest Tide Station in Table 1. This will be the approximate elevation of the point marked in step 4. *Example: 13.0' x 0.90' = 11.7'.*
6. Find the Mean High Tide for this location by looking up the Local Mean Range in Table 2. Divide this number by 2. Add the result to the local mean Tide Level also found in Table 2. *Example: 12.24' / 2 = 6.12'    6.12' + 7.60' = 13.72.'*
7. Locate the Mean High Tide Line on the beach by subtracting or adding to the elevation of the marked point. In this case you would move the rod upland from the water line to the point of elevation 13.72 feet.



# TABLE 1.—DAILY TIDE PREDICTIONS Juneau, Alaska, 2001

Times and Heights of High and Low Waters

April				May				June																
Time		Height		Time		Height		Time		Height		Time		Height										
h	m	ft	cm	h	m	ft	cm	h	m	ft	cm	h	m	ft	cm									
1 Su ☉	0544	14.4	439	16 M	0107	6.7	204	1 Tu	0100	5.4	165	16 W	0147	6.0	183	1 F	0320	1.9	58	16 Sa	0301	3.3	101	
	1247	1.5	46		0704	12.1	369		0702	13.7	418		0734	11.8	360		0928	13.8	421		0900	11.8	360	
	1924	11.8	360		1404	3.2	98		1348	1.0	30		1409	3.2	98		1526	1.6	49		1456	3.8	116	2119
2 M	0101	6.0	183	17 Tu	0237	6.3	192	2 W	0229	4.5	137	17 Th	0256	4.9	149	2 Sa	0418	0.3	9	17 Su	0353	1.8	55	
	0710	13.9	424		0832	12.1	369		0830	13.9	424		0849	12.0	366		1033	14.3	436		1002	12.5	381	
	1413	1.3	40		1513	2.9	88		1459	0.7	21		1507	3.0	91		1620	1.7	52		1549	3.6	110	2203
3 Tu	0238	5.4	165	18 W	0343	5.2	158	3 Th	0340	2.7	82	18 F	0350	3.5	107	3 Su	0507	-1.0	-30	18 M	0440	0.2	6	
	0842	14.3	436		0942	12.8	390		0945	14.6	445		0951	12.7	387		1128	14.9	454		1056	13.3	405	
	1527	0.4	12		1606	2.2	67		1558	0.3	9		1555	2.7	82		1708	1.8	55		1637	3.3	101	2246
4 W	0354	3.7	113	19 Th	0431	3.7	113	4 F	0436	0.8	24	19 Sa	0434	1.9	58	4 M	0551	-2.0	-61	19 Tu	0524	-1.3	-40	
	0959	15.4	469		1035	13.7	418		1047	15.6	475		1042	13.5	411		1216	15.4	469		1145	14.2	433	
	1626	-0.7	-21		1647	1.5	46		1649	-0.1	-3		1637	2.3	70		1752	1.9	58		1723	3.0	91	2328
5 Th	0452	1.7	52	20 F	0510	2.2	67	5 Sa	0524	-0.9	-27	20 Su	0514	0.4	12	5 Tu	0001	18.0	549	20 W	0607	-2.6	-79	
	1100	16.6	506		1118	14.6	445		1140	16.4	500		1126	14.4	439		1300	15.6	475		1231	15.0	457	
	1716	-1.7	-52		1723	1.0	30		1734	-0.2	-6		1716	2.0	61		1833	2.2	67		1808	2.6	79	1808
6 F	0541	-0.2	-6	21 Sa	0546	0.8	24	6 Su	0608	-2.2	-67	21 M	0552	-1.1	-34	6 W	0040	17.9	546	21 Th	0011	18.2	555	
	1152	17.6	536		1156	15.4	469		1227	16.8	512		1208	15.1	460		1341	15.5	472		1316	15.7	479	
	1800	-2.2	-67		1757	0.6	18		1816	-0.1	-3		1754	1.8	55		1913	2.6	79		1853	2.3	70	1853
7 Sa	0020	18.4	561	22 Su	0012	16.6	506	7 M	0028	18.8	573	22 Tu	0001	17.5	533	7 Th	0116	17.6	536	22 F	0056	18.7	570	
	0625	-1.7	-52		0621	-0.5	-15		0649	-3.0	-91		0629	-2.2	-67		0748	-2.5	-76		0734	-4.2	-128	
	1239	18.2	555		1232	15.9	485		1311	16.9	515		1248	15.6	475		1421	15.2	463		1402	16.1	491	1938
8 Su	0057	19.1	582	23 M	0040	17.2	524	8 Tu	0105	18.8	573	23 W	0036	18.1	552	8 F	0153	17.0	518	23 Sa	0142	18.7	570	
	0707	-2.7	-82		0655	-1.5	-46		0728	-3.2	-98		0708	-3.1	-94		0825	-2.0	-61		0819	-4.2	-128	
	1324	18.2	555		1308	16.2	494		1353	16.6	506		1329	15.9	485		1500	14.8	451		1448	16.2	494	2026
9 M	0134	19.3	588	24 Tu	0109	17.7	539	9 W	0140	18.3	558	24 Th	0113	18.3	558	9 Sa	0229	16.3	497	24 Su	0230	18.3	558	
	0748	-3.1	-94		0729	-2.2	-67		0806	-2.9	-88		0748	-3.5	-107		0903	-1.3	-40		0905	-3.7	-113	
	1407	17.7	539		1344	16.2	494		1434	15.9	485		1412	15.8	482		1541	14.3	436		1536	16.2	494	2118
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	0828	-2.8	-85		0806	-2.5	-76		0845	-2.1	-64		0831	-3.4	-104		0942	-0.4	-12		0954	-2.8	-85	
	1449	16.8	512		1422	15.9	485		1516	15.1	460		1457	15.6	475		1623	13.7	418		1627	16.0	488	2215
11 W	0246	18.0	549	26 Th	0213	17.7	539	11 F	0252	16.5	503	26 Sa	0237	17.7	539	11 M	0348	14.4	439	26 Tu	0418	16.2	494	
	0908	-2.0	-61		0845	-2.3	-70		0925	-1.1	-34		0917	-2.9	-88		1024	0.6	18		1046	-1.5	-46	
	1532	15.5	472		1503	15.3	466		1559	14.1	430		1547	15.2	463		1708	13.3	405		1721	15.9	485	2319
12 Th	0322	16.9	515	27 F	0251	17.3	527	12 Sa	0330	15.3	466	27 Su	0327	16.9	515	12 Tu	0434	13.4	408	27 W	0524	14.9	454	
	0950	-0.8	-24		0928	-1.8	-55		1007	0.1	3		1008	-2.0	-61		1110	1.6	49		1142	-0.1	-3	
	1618	14.1	430		1550	14.5	442		1648	13.2	402		1642	14.7	448		1757	13.0	396		1818	15.8	482	1818
13 F	0401	15.5	472	28 Sa	0334	16.5	503	13 Su	0413	14.1	430	28 M	0424	15.8	482	13 W	0530	12.5	381	28 Th	0030	2.9	88	
	1036	0.6	18		1018	-1.0	-30		1056	1.3	40		1105	-0.9	-27		1202	2.5	76		1244	1.3	40	
	1710	12.8	390		1646	13.7	418		1743	12.4	378		1744	14.4	439		1849	13.1	399		1918	15.8	482	1918
14 Sa	0446	14.1	430	29 Su	0427	15.4	469	14 M	0507	13.0	396	29 Tu	0532	14.6	445	14 Th	0051	5.3	162	29 F	0145	2.4	73	
	1131	2.0	61		1118	0.0	0		1154	2.4	73		1209	0.1	3		1259	3.2	98		1349	2.4	73	
	1816	11.7	357		1754	13.1	399		1848	12.1	369		1850	14.5	442		1941	13.4	408		2018	15.9	485	2018
15 Su	0544	12.8	390	30 M	0536	14.4	439	15 Tu	0026	6.4	195	30 W	0051	4.3	131	15 F	0200	4.6	140	30 Sa	0256	1.5	46	
	1242	2.9	88		1229	0.8	24		0615	12.1	369		0651	13.7	418		0749	11.6	354		0909	12.8	390	
	1938	11.3	344		1912	13.0	396		1301	3.0	91		1318	0.9	27		1359	3.6	110		1454	3.1	94	2116
16 ☉				31 ☉				15 Tu	1955	12.3	375	31 Th	0211	3.3	101	31 F	2032	14.0	427	31 Sa				

Time meridian 135° W. 0000 is midnight. 1200 is noon.  
Heights are referred to mean lower low water which is the chart datum of soundings.

TABLE 2 - TIDAL DIFFERENCES AND OTHER CONSTANTS

No.	PLACE	POSITION		DIFFERENCES				RANGES		Mean Tide Level
		Latitude	Longitude	Time		Height		Mean	Diurnal	
				High Water	Low Water	High Water	Low Water			
	ALASKA Meares Passage to Davidson Inlet—cont. Time meridian, 135° W	North	West	h	m	ft	ft	ft	ft	ft
	<i>Davidson Inlet—cont.</i>			on Sitka, p.128						
1613	El Capitan Island	55° 56'	133° 20'	-0 11	-0 10	+0.9	-0.1	8.7	10.8	5.6
1615	Cyrus Cove, Sea Otter Sound	55° 55'	133° 24'	-0 16	-0 12	+1.1	0.0	8.8	10.9	5.8
1617	Marble Passage	55° 57'	133° 26'	-0 14	-0 09	+1.0	0.0	8.7	10.9	5.8
1619	Marble Island	56° 00'	133° 28'	-0 19	-0 15	+0.8	-0.1	8.6	10.7	5.6
1621	Holbrook, Kosciusko Island	56° 02'	133° 30'	-0 10	-0 06	+0.9	-0.1	8.7	10.8	5.6
1623	Edna Bay	55° 57'	133° 40'	-0 20	-0 08	+0.9	0.0	8.6	10.8	5.7
	Sumner Strait									
1625	Coronation Island	55° 54'	134° 07'	-0 16	-0 17	+0.8	0.0	8.5	10.7	5.6
1627	Pole Anchorage, Kosciusko Island	55° 57'	133° 49'	-0 22	-0 22	+1.4	-0.1	9.2	11.4	5.9
1629	Port McArthur, Kuiu Island	56° 04'	134° 07'	-0 11	-0 07	+0.6	-0.1	8.4	10.6	5.5
1631	Kell Bay, Affleck Canal, Kuiu Island	56° 09'	134° 08'	+0 01	+0 01	+1.3	0.0	9.0	11.2	5.9
1633	Point St. Albans	56° 05'	133° 58'	-0 17	-0 13	+1.4	0.0	9.1	11.3	5.9
1635	Shakan Bay Entrance	56° 08'	133° 37'	-0 13	-0 12	+1.8	0.0	9.5	11.7	6.2
1637	Shakan Strait, Kosciusko Island	56° 08'	133° 28'	-0 09	-0 10	+1.9	-0.1	9.7	11.7	6.2
1639	El Capitan Passage	56° 04'	133° 19'	-0 05	+0 02	+0.9	-0.1	8.7	10.8	5.6
1641	Port Beauclerc, Kuiu Island	56° 17'	133° 57'	-0 14	-0 12	+1.9	-0.1	9.7	11.9	6.2
1643	Port Protection, Prince of Wales Island	56° 19'	133° 36'	-0 13	-0 11	+2.4	0.0	10.1	12.4	6.4
1645	Reid Bay	56° 23'	133° 53'	-0 11	-0 19	+2.5	0.0	10.2	12.4	6.5
1647	Sumner Island	56° 25'	133° 48'	-0 19	-0 12	+2.6	0.0	10.3	12.6	6.6
				on Ketchikan, p.120						
1649	Red Bay, Prince of Wales Island	56° 18'	133° 19'	+0 03	+0 07	-0.8	0.0	12.2	14.6	7.6
1651	Level Islands	56° 28'	133° 06'	+0 03	+0 04	-0.4	0.0	12.6	15.0	7.8
1653	Butterworth Island, Duncan Canal	56° 32'	133° 04'	-0 04	+0 03	0.0	0.0	13.0	15.3	8.0
1655	Duncan Canal, Kupreanof Island	56° 34'	133° 04'	+0 15	+0 16	-0.2	-0.1	12.9	15.2	7.8
1657	Grief Island, Duncan Canal	56° 37'	133° 03'	+0 15	+0 12	+0.1	-0.1	13.2	15.4	8.0
1659	Castle Islands, Duncan Canal	56° 39'	133° 09'	+0 27	+0 12	+0.1	-0.1	13.2	15.5	8.0
1661	St. John Harbor, Zarembo Island	56° 26'	132° 57'	+0 09	+0 05	-0.7	-0.2	12.5	14.6	7.6
1663	Greys Island	56° 31'	132° 33'	+0 06	+0 04	+0.2	0.0	13.2	15.6	8.1
	Wrangell Narrows									
1665	Point Lockwood, Woewodski Island	56° 33'	132° 58'	+0 20	+0 15	+0.2	+0.1	13.1	15.7	8.1
1667	Finger Point, Lindenbug Peninsula	56° 41'	132° 57'	+0 29	+0 41	+1.2	0.0	14.2	16.7	8.6
1669	Anchor Point	56° 38'	132° 56'	+0 20	+0 35	+0.6	0.0	13.6	16.0	8.3
1671	Petersburg	56° 49'	132° 57'	+0 09	+0 26	+0.3	-0.1	13.4	15.7	8.1
	Keku Strait									
1673	Monte Carlo Island	56° 32'	133° 46'	+0 02	+0 03	-2.8	-0.1	10.3	12.5	6.6
1675	Seclusion Harbor, Kuiu Island	56° 33'	133° 52'	+0 05	+0 02	-3.0	-0.2	10.2	12.3	6.4
1677	Beck Island	56° 39'	133° 43'	+0 08	+0 31	-1.6	-0.1	11.5	13.8	7.1
1679	The Summit	56° 41'	133° 44'	+0 31	+0 37	+0.3	+0.1	13.2	15.7	8.2
1681	Entrance Island	56° 49'	133° 47'	+0 22	+0 31	-0.7	0.0	12.3	14.7	7.6
1683	Port Camden, Kuiu Island	56° 44'	133° 55'	+0 03	+0 04	-1.5	0.0	11.5	13.9	7.2
1685	Hamilton Bay, Kupreanof Island	56° 55'	133° 50'	+0 03	+0 04	-1.6	0.0	11.4	13.8	7.2
1687	Kake	56° 58'	133° 56'	+0 05	+0 12	-1.4	-0.1	11.7	14.0	7.3
	Frederick Sound			on Juneau, p.124						
1689	Dry Strait	56° 37'	132° 34'	-0 18	-0 03	-0.2	0.0	13.5	16.1	8.3
1691	Cosmos Point	56° 39.8'	132° 37.0'	-0 05	-0 05	*0.98	*0.99	13.47	16.00	8.43
1693	Ideal Cove, Mitkof Island	56° 40'	132° 38'	-0 09	-0 05	-0.2	0.0	13.5	16.1	8.3
1695	Leconte Bay	56° 47.3'	132° 30.1'	0 00	+0 03	*0.98	*0.99	13.42	15.94	8.28
1697	Brown Cove	56° 53'	132° 48'	-0 14	-0 10	-0.3	-0.1	13.5	15.8	8.2
1699	Thomas Bay	57° 00'	132° 47'	+0 07	+0 07	-0.8	-0.1	13.0	15.4	8.0
1701	Portage Bay, Kupreanof Island	57° 00'	133° 19'	-0 19	-0 15	-0.7	0.0	13.0	15.5	8.1
1703	Cleveland Passage, Whitney Island	57° 13'	133° 30'	-0 01	+0 03	-1.2	-0.1	12.6	15.0	7.8
1705	The Brothers	57° 17.7'	133° 47.8'	-0 06	-0 03	*0.91	*0.94	12.40	14.74	7.68
1707	Pybus Bay, Admiralty Island	57° 18'	134° 08'	+0 03	-0 02	-1.9	-0.1	11.9	14.3	7.4
1709	Cannery Cove, Pybus Bay	57° 18.4'	134° 08.0'	-0 08	-0 06	*0.90	*0.94	12.24	14.63	7.60
1711	Eliza Harbor, Liesnoi Island	57° 10'	134° 17'	-0 19	-0 19	-1.9	-0.1	11.9	14.3	7.4
1713	Eliza Harbor, Admiralty Island	57° 11.3'	134° 17.2'	-0 06	-0 04	*0.87	*0.92	11.79	14.10	7.35
1715	Herring Bay	57° 06.8'	134° 22.8'	-0 08	-0 07	*0.84	*0.91	11.44	13.70	7.16
1717	Saginaw Bay, Kuiu Island	56° 54.2'	134° 18.2'	-0 12	-0 15	*0.84	*0.96	11.34	13.67	7.18
	Stephens Passage									
1719	Port Houghton, Robert Islands	57° 18'	133° 28'	-0 21	-0 17	-0.8	-0.1	13.0	15.4	8.0
1721	Hobart Bay	57° 24'	133° 25'	-0 06	+0 03	-1.1	-0.1	12.7	15.1	7.8
1723	Good Island, Gambier Bay	57° 29'	133° 54'	-0 03	+0 04	-1.4	-0.1	12.4	14.8	7.7
1725	Windham Bay	57° 33'	133° 30'	0 00	0 00	-1.1	-0.1	12.7	15.1	7.8
1727	Rasp Ledge, Seymour Canal	57° 41'	134° 02'	+0 06	+0 05	-0.7	+0.1	12.9	15.6	8.2
1729	Windfall Harbor, Seymour Canal	57° 52'	134° 16'	+0 14	+0 18	-0.2	0.0	13.5	16.0	8.3
1731	Holkham Bay, Wood Spit	57° 43'	133° 35'	+0 03	+0 06	-0.8	-0.1	13.0	15.4	8.0
1733	Sawyer Island, Tracy Arm	57° 52.7'	133° 11.4'	+0 02	+0 06	*0.97	*1.01	13.32	15.83	8.25
1735	Port Snettisham, Point Styleman	57° 58'	133° 53'	-0 12	-0 06	-0.4	-0.1	13.4	15.8	8.2
1737	Port Snettisham, Crib Point	58° 05.7'	133° 44.3'	-0 03	-0 03	*0.98	*0.97	13.40	15.86	8.23

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- Lynn Canal and Chatham Strait
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**Keku Strait**

Station	Time Diff.		Hgt. Diff.	
	High	Low	High	Low
Monte Carlo Island	+0 02	+0 03	-2.8	-0.1
Seclusion Harbor, Kuiu Island	+0 05	+0 02	-3.0	-0.2
Beck Island	+0 08	+0 31	-1.6	-0.1
The Summit	+0 31	+0 37	+0.3	+0.1
Entrance Island	+0 22	+0 31	-0.7	0.0
Port Camden, Kuiu Island	+0 03	+0 04	-1.5	0.0
Hamilton Bay, Kupreanof Island	+0 03	+0 04	-1.6	0.0
Kake	+0 05	+0 12	-1.4	-0.1

**Frederick Sound**

Station	Time Diff.		Hgt. Diff.	
	High	Low	High	Low
Dry Strait	-0 18	-0 03	-0.2	0.0
Cosmos Point	-0 05	-0 05	*0.98	*0.99
Ideal Cove, Mitkof Island	-0 09	-0 05	-0.2	0.0
Leconte Bay	0 00	+0 03	*0.98	*0.99
Brown Cove	-0 14	-0 10	-0.3	-0.1
Thomas Bay	+0 07	+0 07	-0.8	-0.1
Portage Bay, Kupreanof Island	-0 19	-0 15	-0.7	0.0
Cleveland Passage, Whitney Island	-0 01	+0 03	-1.2	-0.1
The Brothers	-0 06	-0 03	*0.91	*0.94
Cannery Cove, Pybus Bay	-0 08	-0 06	*0.90	*0.94
Eliza Harbor, Liesnoi Island	-0 19	-0 19	-1.9	-0.1
Eliza Harbor, Admiralty Island	-0 06	-0 04	*0.87	*0.92
Herring Bay	-0 08	-0 07	*0.84	*0.91
Saginaw Bay, Kuiu Island	-0 12	-0 15	*0.84	*0.96

**Stephens Passage**

Station	Time Diff.		Hgt. Diff.	
	High	Low	High	Low
Port Houghton, Robert Islands	-0 21	-0 17	-0.8	-0.1
Hobart Bay	-0 06	+0 03	-1.1	-0.1
Good Island, Gambier Bay	-0 03	+0 04	-1.4	-0.1
Windham Bay	0 00	0 00	-1.1	-0.1
Rasp Ledge, Seymour Canal	+0 06	+0 05	-0.7	+0.1
Windfall Harbor, Seymour Canal	+0 14	+0 18	-0.2	0.0
Holkham Bay, Wood Spit	+0 03	+0 06	-0.8	-0.1
Sawyer Island, Tracy Arm	+0 02	+0 06	*0.97	*1.01
Port Snettisham, Point Styleman	-0 12	-0 06	-0.4	-0.1
Port Snettisham, Crib Point	-0 03	-0 03	*0.98	*0.97
Taku Harbor	-0 03	-0 04	*0.97	*1.00
Greely Point, Taku Inlet	-0 01	-0 04	-0.6	-0.1
Taku Point, Taku Inlet	+0 14	+0 13	+0.4	0.0

Daily predictions

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19	Su	1238am	L	5.6	635am	H	13.8	124pm	L	0.9	806pm	H	13
20	M	202am	L	5.2	758am	H	13.4	235pm	L	1.2	912pm	H	14
21	Tu	324am	L	3.9	922am	H	13.5	341pm	L	1.2	1010pm	H	15
22	W	430am	L	2.0	1036am	H	14.2	440pm	L	1.0	1101pm	H	16
23	Th	526am	L	-0.1	1139am	H	15.1	533pm	L	0.8	1148pm	H	18
24	F	616am	L	-1.9	1235pm	H	15.9	621pm	L	0.7			
25	Sa	1232am	H	18.9	702am	L	-3.3	125pm	H	16.4	707pm	L	0
26	Su	115am	H	19.3	746am	L	-4.0	213pm	H	16.6	751pm	L	1
27	M	157am	H	19.2	829am	L	-4.1	259pm	H	16.4	834pm	L	1
28	Tu	239am	H	18.7	912am	L	-3.6	345pm	H	15.8	918pm	L	2
29	W	321am	H	17.8	956am	L	-2.6	432pm	H	15.1	1003pm	L	3
30	Th	404am	H	16.6	1040am	L	-1.4	521pm	H	14.3	1051pm	L	4
31	F	450am	H	15.2	1128am	L	-0.1	613pm	H	13.6	1145pm	L	5

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Day	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.					
1	Sa	541am	H	13.9	1219pm	L	1.2	710pm	H	13.1			
2	Su	1249am	L	5.7	641am	H	12.7	117pm	L	2.3	809pm	H	13
3	M	203am	L	5.6	752am	H	11.9	219pm	L	3.0	906pm	H	13
4	Tu	314am	L	4.9	907am	H	11.7	319pm	L	3.5	956pm	H	13
5	W	414am	L	3.8	1015am	H	11.9	413pm	L	3.6	1040pm	H	14
6	Th	503am	L	2.4	1114am	H	12.4	500pm	L	3.6	1119pm	H	15
7	F	546am	L	1.1	1203pm	H	13.1	543pm	L	3.5	1155pm	H	15
8	Sa	625am	L	-0.1	1246pm	H	13.7	623pm	L	3.4			
9	Su	1230am	H	16.4	702am	L	-1.2	126pm	H	14.3	701pm	L	3
10	M	105am	H	16.9	739am	L	-2.0	205pm	H	14.7	739pm	L	3
11	Tu	140am	H	17.3	817am	L	-2.5	244pm	H	14.9	817pm	L	3
12	W	217am	H	17.4	856am	L	-2.8	324pm	H	14.9	857pm	L	3
13	Th	256am	H	17.3	937am	L	-2.7	407pm	H	14.9	940pm	L	3
14	F	339am	H	16.9	1020am	L	-2.3	452pm	H	14.8	1028pm	L	3
15	Sa	427am	H	16.2	1107am	L	-1.6	542pm	H	14.7	1124pm	L	4
16	Su	522am	H	15.3	1159am	L	-0.6	636pm	H	14.8			
17	M	1229am	L	4.1	627am	H	14.2	1256pm	L	0.4	733pm	H	15
18	Tu	143am	L	3.6	741am	H	13.4	159pm	L	1.3	832pm	H	15
19	W	259am	L	2.6	901am	H	13.0	304pm	L	2.0	931pm	H	16
20	Th	407am	L	1.1	1019am	H	13.3	407pm	L	2.4	1027pm	H	16
21	F	507am	L	-0.4	1127am	H	13.9	506pm	L	2.6	1120pm	H	17
22	Sa	600am	L	-1.8	1226pm	H	14.6	600pm	L	2.6			
23	Su	1209am	H	18.1	648am	L	-2.8	118pm	H	15.2	649pm	L	2
24	M	1256am	H	18.3	733am	L	-3.3	206pm	H	15.5	736pm	L	2
25	Tu	141am	H	18.3	816am	L	-3.4	251pm	H	15.6	820pm	L	2
26	W	223am	H	17.9	858am	L	-3.1	333pm	H	15.5	903pm	L	3
27	Th	305am	H	17.3	938am	L	-2.4	415pm	H	15.2	946pm	L	3
28	F	346am	H	16.4	1018am	L	-1.5	456pm	H	14.8	1030pm	L	3
29	Sa	428am	H	15.4	1058am	L	-0.4	538pm	H	14.3	1116pm	L	4
30	Su	512am	H	14.3	1139am	L	0.7	621pm	H	13.9			

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Day	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.	Time	Ht.					
1	M	1208am	L	4.6	601am	H	13.1	1223pm	L	1.9	706pm	H	13
2	Tu	107am	L	4.7	657am	H	12.1	112pm	L	3.1	754pm	H	13