DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY

DESCRIPTIVE REPORT

Air Photographic Sheet Sweet No. T-8178 High Ray may seek

Quadrangle Cobb Island

VIRGINIA

COBB ISLAND QUADRANGLE

N 3715 - W-7545/7.5

LOCALITY

State Virginia

General locality Outer Coast

Locality ..

Cobb Island

CHIEF OF PARTY

Lieut. Comdr. Kenneth G. Crosby

Lieut. Comdr. Wm. D. Patterson

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October 2,1945

DATA RECORD

T- 8178

Quadrangle (II): Cobb Island

Project No. (II):

Field Office: Salisbury, Md. Chief of Party: W. D. Patterson

Compilation Office: Tampa, Floridechief of Party: K. G. Crosby

Instructions dated (II III):3-4-42

Copy filed in Descriptive Report No. T- (VI)

Completed survey received in office: 11/16/42

Reported to Nautical Chart Section: 11/42

Reviewed: 1/26/43 Applied to chart No.

Date:

Redrafting Completed: 5/21/43

Registered: 40/2/45

Published:

Compilation Scale: 1:20,000 Published Scale: /: 25,000

Scale Factor (III):1.00

Geographic Datum (III): N.A. 1927 Datum Plane (III): M.S.L.

Reference Station (III): The Spitlight, 1934

Lat .: 37018'03.21"(99.0 m.) Long .: 75049'46.07"(1134.7 m.) Adjusted

Unadjusted

State Plane Coordinates (VI): Virginia South 30ne. (Not available at present time. See P. Kerr for computations, w.R. 2-9-45.

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PHOTOGRAPHS (III)

Number	Date	Time	Scale	Stage of Tide
8588	4-13-42	12:59 P.M.	1:20,000	- 0.35 Ft.
8996	**	3:28 P.M.	ij	+ 0.10 Ft.
8997	#	3:30 P.M.	**	+ 0.10 Ft.

Tide from (III): Predicted Tides, Sand Shoal Inlet (Cobb Island C.Q. Station), Va.

Mean Range: 4.0 Ft.

Spring Range: 4.8 Ft.

Camera: (Kind or source) U.S.C. & C.S. Nine Lens (81 Focal length)

Field Inspection by: C. Hamavich & C.O. Rector

date: May & July

1942

Field Edit by: Wendell Bever, photo. 1.d

date: Jon. 1943

Date of Mean High-Water Line Location (III): 4/13%14/42

Projection and Grids ruled by (III) Washington Offc. date: 9-23-42

" " checked by: " " date:

Control plotted by: A.L.Kidwell, Jr. Topo. Engr. date: 10-8-42

Control checked by: V.F.Simmons, Asst. Engr. Drafts. date: 10-9-42

Radial Plot by: Tampa Office Personnel date: 10-15-42

Detailed by: V.F.Simmons, Asst. Engr. Draftsman date: Oct. '42

Reviewed in compilation office by: J.A.Giles, Prin. date: Nov. '42 Photo Aid.

J.H.S.Billmyer, Prin. Engr. Drafts.

Elevations on Field Edit Sheet checked by: Wendell Bever photo. Aid

date: Jan. 1943

STATISTICS (III)

Land Area (Sq. Statute Miles): 10.5

Shoreline (More than 200 meters to opposite shore):
65 Statute Miles

Shoreline (Less than 200 meters to opposite shore):

112 Statute Miles

Number of Recoverable Topographic Stations established: 8

Number of Temporary Hydrographic Stations located by radial plot: 4

Leveling (to control contours) - miles; O

Roman numerals indicate whether the item is to be entered by, (II) Field Party, (III) Compilation Party, or, (VI) the Washington Office.

When entering names of personnel on this record give the surname and initials (not initials only).

Remarks:

COMPILATION REPORT TO ACCOMPANY SHEET NO. T-8178 Cobb Island Quadrangle

CONTROL

Topographic station "Bedford South Gable, 1942" is in the approximate position of triangulation station "N.E. Gable Shack, Rowes Hole, 1934". The two stations are evidently the same shack. The triangulation station is shown on the sheet.

Triangulation station "N. Gable Shack on Piles, 1934" is clearly visible on the photographs but was not recovered in the field. The station is plotted on the sheet.

The F.I.P. for station Pig, 1933 was picked in the wrong place on the field print, therefore the station could not be used in the radial plot.

RADIAL PLOT

The main radial plot is discussed in the compilation report for sheet T-8176.

DETAILING

The photographs were not very clear in the marsh areas and some difficulty was experienced in delineating the shoreline accurately.

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

There were no graphic control surveys of this Bureau, or maps and places of other organization used to supplement the photographs.

LANIMARKS AND AIDS TO NAVIGATION

The geographic positions of the non-floating aids to navigation not previously located by triengulation are listed on attached form 567. These positions were determined by sextant fixes. The position of the aids located by triangulation were also checked by three point fixes, therefore indicating that they have not been moved.

The position of one landmark, "Cobb Island C. G. Flagtower", is shown on Form 567.

HYDROGRAPHIC CONTROL

Fight recoverable and four temporary topographic stations suitable for the control of hydrographic surveys fall on the sheet. The scaled geographic positions of these stations are shown on Forms 524. These positions were determined by the radial plot.

COMPARISON WITH EXISTING TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLES

A comparison was made with the Eastville, Virginia Quadrangle revised to 1938 and published by the Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army.

Practically the entire shoreline has changed due no doubt to storm action on the marshy terrain.

COMPARISON WITH NAUTICAL CHARTS

In comparing the sheet with U.S.C. and G.S. Chart No. 1222, (Scale 1:80,000 and published August 1942), the same discrepancies were noted that are mentioned under the previous heading. The map compilation adequately portrays all topographic detail and shoreline, and should supersede the charted information.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent F. Simmons,

Asst. Engineering Draftsman

Forwarded by:

Kenneth G. Crosby

Chief of Party.

FIELD EDIT REPORT Quadrangle T-8178 Project CS-278- C F. L. Gallen, Chief of Party

- 1. The greater part of this quadrangle is comprised of marshland and shoal areas. Sand Shoal Channel, the only large channel of navigational importance, bisects the sheet near the center. Wooded areas are entirely lacking on this sheet. The only high land is located along the outer beaches bordering the Atlantic Ocean. The general shoreline is rather unstable and subjected to slight changes over a period of time.
- By means of a hand level, elevations were spotted on the higher dunes of Cobb Island, Bone Island, and Wreck Island. These elevations are unstable both vertically and horizontally and will vary considerably over a short period of time.

15. No bridges are located on this quadrangle.

- 17. Political boundaries were obtained from maps issued by the Virginia State Peads Commission and were verified in the field.
- 18. For Geographic Names refer to special report for Project CS-278-C.
- 46. All additions, deletions and corrections were made on the map manuscript and transferred to the smooth copy after the field edit had been completed. The inking of the map manuscript was done in accordance with the following scheme:

FEATURES COLORS

Classification, elevations and navigational aids Political boundaries

Black Purple

- 47. The detailing is believed to be accurate and complete.
- Horizontal accuracy tests were run in quadrangle T-8174 and T-8175. Vertical accuracy tests were unnecessary as no elevations exceeded 13 feet in elevation.

Submitted by

Photogrammetric Aid

Approved by

Form 567 (Rev. April 1942)

U. S. COAST AND GEODETIC SURVEY DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Chart letter - 633 (1942)

Sheet T-8178

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Tampa, Florida

LANDMARKS FOR CHARTS

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The positions given have been checked after listing.

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GEOGRAPHIC NAMES LIST FOR T-8178

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ABBREVIATIONS

ROADS	VEGETATION
W - Width (feet bet. shoulders)	C — Cultivation
P — Private road	Gr — Grass
OP — Overpass	BUILDINGS
UP — Underpass	7.7
X — Abandoned trail, road, etc.	Ho — House
RR — Railroad tracks; as 2 tracks	Ba — Barn
WOODS CLASSIFICATION	Sh — Shed
	Bldg — Building
Density Classification	Bo Ho — Boat House
1 — Scattered	Ch — Church (give name)
2 — Thinly wooded	Ct Ho — Court House (give name) P O — Post Office (give name)
3. — Heavily wooded	
4 — Densely wooded	Sch — School (give name) Hos — Hospital (give name)
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R — Brush S — Scrub	Ck H — Chicken House
	D — Dwelling
Y — Cypress L — Young trees (LP—young pines	_
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SHORE LINE	FT — Fire tower
•	TT — Transmission tower
HWL — Mean high water; fast land	RT — Radio Tower or mast
LWL — Low water line	Air Bn — Airway beacon
LL — Light line; marsh shore line	Bn — Non-lighted aid to navigation
M — Marsh inshore limits	Lt Lighted aid to navigation
MW Marsh grass in water	Tk — Low tank
Dk — Dock	Tk elev. — Tall tank
Pier — Pier	Stk — Stack
Se W — Sea wall Bkhd — Bulkhead	STREAMS, PONDS & BRIDGES
Jet — Jetty	D — Largest ditches only
Dol — Dolphin	DX — Small
Pile — Pile	IS — Intermittent stream
S — Sand	PD — Probable drainage
Mud — Mud	Cr — Creek
Rk — Rock or rocky	Ca — Canal
Sty — Stony	Brg — Bridge, (capacity & clearance)
Conc — Concrete	Cv — Culvert (capacity)
Wo - Wood	Lev — Levee
Blf — Bluff	Dam — Dam
Dune — Dune	P — Pond
BOUNDARIES	IP — Intermittent pond
F — Fence	
Sty F — Stone fence	
F B — Fire Break	
Hdg — Hedge	•
Park — Park	•
Cem — Cemetery	
Co — County	
Md. — Maryland	
Va. — Virginia	
Bdy — Boundary	
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION FOR MAPS OF ALL SCALES

CLASS	LABEL	STRUCTURE	LOADING
1	Dependable hard-surface heavy duty road.	Concrete, asphaltic concrete bituminus Macadam, H-15 type structures.	Will bear heaviest loads with little maintenance.
2	Secondary, hard-surface all-weather road.	Surface-treated, oiled gravel, waterbound Macadam, structures generally lighter than H-15 but sturdy.	Will bear fairly heavy military loads in all weather if maintained.
3	Loose-surface graded, dry-weather road.	Gravel or stone surface, stable material, selected sand-clay, etc. Drained and graded.	Will bear light military loads in good weather.
4	Unimproved road.	Graded and drained earth, with very light structure.	Generally unsuitable for military loads.
4U	Truck road	Woods roads, farm roads, etc. over which a standard gage vehicle can be driven.	
5	Trail	(Horse trails, foot trails, etc.)	

Roads with more than two (2) lanes are indicated by note along road, e. g. 3 LANE. Change in lanes shown by tick at point of change. Main roads have two lanes unless otherwise marked.

Private roads are designated by the letter P after the road classification.

WOODS CONCEALMENT CLASSIFICATION

Class A: Trees over 10' high and thick enough to hide troops.

Class B: Brush thick enough to hide troops but dense enough to impede progress.

Class C: Scattered brush thick enough to hide troops but not thick enough to impede progress.

Remarks

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RECORDS

Between January, 1942 and July, 1944, this Bureau completed 323 quadrangles. These maps have been published, or are in the process of being published on scales of 1:31,680 or 1:25,000. This series of quadrangles includes a land area of approximately 15,000 square miles. Incident to this work, a considerable volume of survey records and data has accumulated which will be filed for future reference. This material is filed as follows:

Registered and Filed in the Vault

Cloth-mounted copy of the published quadrangle.

published quadrangle at 1:20,000 scale.

Black and white cloth-mounted copy of the/map
manuscript. This copy is filed to preserve
original survey detail shown on the manuscript
at 1:20,000 scale which may not have been shown
on the published sheet. For political-bounderies,
woodland, march, and wamp-limits, refer to the
published quadrangle for the finally adopted
positions.

Descriptive Report.

Filed in the Photogrammetric Section - Surveys Branch

Field inspection photographs.

Contoured photographs (on which planetable contouring work was performed.)

Field edit sheet.

Descriptions of recoverable topographic stations (Form 524), filed in Reviewing Unit.

Supplementary traverse and level records.

Field notes, computations, lists of positions, and tabulations of results of horizontal and vertical accuracy tests.

Reproduction proof.

Correction sheet (copy of quadrangle showing in red changes to be made when next printed.)

Check lists of work performed on each sheet in the Washington Office during review, drafting, edit, and reproduction.

Copy of Original celluloid manuscript.

Copies of specifications and all instructions to field parties and field offices.

Filed in Reproduction Branch

Glass negatives of the color separation drawings.

Filed in the Library

Special report on field work by Commander K. T. Adams: 1944.

Special report on office work by B. G. Jones, 1944.

Season's report on field work by Commander F. L. Gallen, 1944.

Season's report on field work by Commander R. L. Schoppe, 1944.

Delivered to the Army Map Service in accordance with the contract

Film negatives and film positives of the color separation drawings.

All color separation drawings.

Original celluloid manuscript,

A correction sheet consisting of a copy of the first edition of the quadrangle with notes in red indicating changes desirable at the next printing.

General Procedure in the Production of Topographic Quadrangles for the War Department

This quadrangle, together with similar adjoining maps produced under Project C.S. 278-C was prepared by the Coast and Geodetic Survey for the War Department under "General Specifications for War Department Mapping Program" issued about December 1941, in which is incorporated the "Standard of Accuracy for a National Map Production Program" issued by the Bureau of the Budget under date of June 10, 1941.

The general procedure in the production of this and the adjoining quadrangles was:

FIELD SURVEYS

Aerial photography with the Coast and Geodetic Survey nine-lens camera, with airplane and flight crew furnished by the U.S. Coast Guard. The photographs were taken to the scale of 1:20,000.

Ground inspection of the photographs for identification of control points, and classification and clarification of planimetric details on the photographs.

Contouring by planetable directly on the photographs. Supplementary vertical control was established by means of an extensive subordinate level net, furnishing unmarked elevations at road intersections, driveways, and numerous other points identifiable on the photographs.

COMPILATION OF MANUSCRIPT

Compilation on the map manuscripts by radial plot methods (celluloid hand templets) of all planimetry and contours. These manuscripts were drawn on the scale of 1:20,000 on celluloid sheets on which polyconic projections had been ruled with the Projection Ruling Machine in the Washington Office. Compilation was accomplished in the Barthmare Tampa Photogrammetric Office.

FIELD EDIT

Comparison of a copy of the manuscript with the ground. This included inspection for completeness and accuracy as well as the location by planetable methods of additional details, checking of nautical and aeronautical aids to navigation, etc.

Accuracy Tests - Application of systematic horizontal and vertical accuracy tests to check the maps for conformity with the specifications. These tests consisted of comparison of the map position and elevation of selected random points with the true position and elevation as independently determined by standard survey methods.

PROCESSING IN THE WASHINGTON OFFICE

Review - Examination of the manuscript for accuracy and completeness of compilation and compliance with specifications, correcting where necessary; addition of military and state grids and other special features; and verification of the general adequacy of the manuscript as a basis for the production of a finished map.

Drafting and Reproduction - Preparation of smooth color separation drawings on 1:20,000 scale on metal-mounted "blueline" copies of the manuscript. From these drawings, negatives and printing plates were prepared for reproduction of the finished map on the scale of 1:31,680 or 1:25,000.

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REVIEW OF AIR PHOTOGRAPHIC SURVEY T-8178

COBB ISLAND QUADRANGLE

This quadrangle manuscript has been examined for completeness, accuracy, and conformity with the specifications. It is adequate for smooth drafting, reproduction and publication. Revisions found to be necessary in this office are discussed on the next page.

Horizontal and Vertical Accuracy

There are no accuracy tests in this area. Refer to survey T-8177 for information on the nearest accuracy tests. $\$

Previous Surveys

This manuscript has been compared with the following previous topographic surveys of this Bureau and other agencies. This map is satisfactory to supersede the previous surveys over the common area.

T-523 T-1202a&b T-1201	1:20,000 1:20,000	1853 1869-70-88
T-3223 T-6240	1:20,000	1910-11 1934
"Eastville"	1:62,500	1938 (U.S.E.)

Comparison with Nautical Charts Nos. 1222

The manuscript has not been applied to the charts at the date of this review. The following comments are pertinent to the compilation and correction of nautical charts:

Only minor corrections were necessary on the map manuscript.

The following revisions of the map manuscript were found to be necessary and were accomplished as a part of this review:

Only changes of a minor nature were necessary during the review of this map manuscript.

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