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Questions, comments or additional information on this Local Notice to Mariners or the Local Notice to Mariners mailing list (additions, deletions, corrections) should be sent to the address above or by e-mail to: "lnm@cgalaska.uscg.mil". For faster service, you can get the U.S. Coast Guard 17th District's Local Notice to Mariners via the Internet directly from the U.S. Coast Guard Navigation Center web site at "<http://www.navcen.uscg.mil/lnm>" or to get on our electronic mailing list and receive a *Microsoft Word* copy of the Local Notice to Mariners, send requests to the standard mail address above or by e-mail.

REFERENCES: Light List, Vol. VI, Pacific Coast and Pacific Islands, 2000 Edition (COMDTPUB P16502.6).

U.S. Coast Pilot 8, Pacific Coast Alaska: Dixon Entrance to Cape Spencer, 23rd Edition.

U.S. Coast Pilot 9, Pacific and Arctic Coasts Alaska: Cape Spencer to Beaufort Sea, 19th Edition.

BROADCAST NOTICE TO MARINERS

Navigation information previously promulgated by Broadcast Notice to Mariners 469/00 through 009/01 and still in effect is included in this notice.

USE OF THE LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

The Weekly Supplemental editions contain new information available subsequent to the issue of the Monthly edition. To ensure having complete information concerning the waterways of the Seventeenth Coast Guard District, consult previous Monthly editions dated for the first Tuesday of each month.

I SPECIAL NOTICES

The Dates of Latest Editions, Nautical Charts and Miscellaneous Maps, dated January 1, 2001, published by the National Ocean Service, is available for issue. It may be obtained free from the National Aeronautical Charting Office, AVN-530, Federal Aviation Administration, Riverdale, MD, 20737-1199, Telephone 1-800-638-8972 or from your local authorized nautical chart sales agent. This is a quarterly publication listing the most recent editions of nautical charts, miscellaneous maps and publications relating to navigation, weather, etc. with brief descriptions and up-to-date prices for most of the publications listed.

AVAILABILITY OF A NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE CRITICAL CHART CORRECTIONS WEB SITE

The Office of Coast Survey, National Ocean Service (NOS), NOAA, announces a new Internet service to the marine public at the following web site:

<http://chartmaker.ncd.noaa.gov>

This service provides advance notification of critical chart corrections identified by NOS cartographers during nautical chart updating activities. Critical chart corrections are either recently identified hazards to navigation or are information regarded by NOS as essential for safe navigation, e.g. channel conditions, bridge and cable clearances, regulatory changes. Critical chart corrections posted on this web site are forwarded to the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA) for inclusion in their Local Notice To Mariners (LNM) and Notice To Mariners (NM) respectively. Additionally, updates to the United States Coast Pilot, Volumes 1-9, are posted on this web site. This web site must not be viewed as a substitute for either the USCG LNM or the NIMA NM. Aid to navigation changes and other important information published in USCG and NIMA notices are not available on this web site.

BRIDGE TO BRIDGE RADIOTELEPHONE LISTENING WATCH

VHF radio equipment used to meet the U.S. Bridge-to-Bridge Radiotelephone Act requirement for maintaining a listening watch on the vessel bridge-to-bridge navigation channel 13, must be capable of a continuous, uninterrupted watch. Any radio equipment capable of disrupting the channel 13 watch by a distress call on channel 16 or a distress call on the Global Maritime Distress & Safety System digital selective calling channel 70, should either not be used or have that disruption feature disabled.

ALASKA – MEDIUM FREQUENCY DIGITAL SELECTIVE CALLING

Medium Frequency (MF) Digital Selective Calling (DSC) operations at Coast Guard Group Astoria OR are temporarily discontinued while undergoing system upgrades. The following stations will continue to test MF DSC operations during this period: Honolulu HI (NMO), Kodiak AK (NOJ), Pt Reyes CA (NMC). Questions can be directed to LT Charles Pugh at (202) 267-6598.

REPORT DEFECTS IN AIDS TO NAVIGATION TO THE NEAREST COAST GUARD UNIT

I SPECIAL NOTICES (Cont)

ALASKA – KODIAK ISLAND AND VICINITY – GEOGRAPHICAL CHANGES FROM DECEMBER 6, 1999 EARTHQUAKE

Mariners are urged to use caution while in and around all Kodiak Island coastal waters due to recent possible earthquake induced changes in depths and rock formations. Marine Safety Detachment Kodiak, AK, has received reports of landslides and geographical changes in the area of Middle Cape, Cape Iklolik, Tombstone Rocks, and Outer Seal Rock on the SW side of Kodiak Island. Other areas may also be affected. The seismic activity may have caused depth changes and new rock formations resulting in closing or altering island passes previously navigable to mariners.

ALASKA –ST. PAUL HARBOR IMPROVEMENTS- (UPDATE) PHASE ONE PROJECT # DACW85-99-C-0007

Kelly-Ryan Inc. has completed 50% of the artificial reef project outside St. Paul Harbor. The reef is placed over an area approximately 400 feet wide by 1,200 feet long. The outer most reef lies 400 feet seaward of the breakwall and has a minimum depth of 10 feet below MLLW. The middle reef is also 10 feet deep at MLLW. The inner reef depth is 7 feet below MLLW. The reefs run the length of and parallel to the breakwater, but don't protrude beyond the end of the breakwater. However there is nothing marking the reefs and they are uncharted. Normal shipping routes are NOT obstructed by the reefs, but shipping should not approach or attempt to anchor near the west face of the breakwater. Vessels transiting in the vicinity of the breakwater must use extreme caution. Construction will resume in the spring 2001.

ALASKA – SOUTHCENTRAL RESURRECTION BAY-SEWARD SMALL BOAT HARBOR PROJECT

The Seward Small Boat Harbor is undergoing an extensive float replacement and modernization project. From December 1, 2000 until May 1, 2001, large portions of the small boat harbor will be unusable because of the construction project. Floats E, F, H, J, K and substantial portions of G will be unusable and/or removed during this time frame. There will be minimal moorage for guest boaters and visitors owing to the relocation of a large number of boats from the construction area. For more information, please contact the Harbormaster at 907 224-3138.

ALASKA – SOUTHEAST-WRANGELL NARROWS DREDGING OPERATION

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, through it's contractor Western Marine Const Inc., will be dredging portions of Wrangell Narrows Shipping Channel (NOAA Charts 17360/17375). Dredging will begin on 15 January 2001 at the Southern end of the narrows at Channel Light 15 (LLNR 22950) and will progress north to Channel Lighted Buoy 42 (LLNR 23075). The dredge Aqua Beaver (length 120 by width 60 feet) will be on anchors in the channel 24 hours a day. The Aqua Beaver will have the dump barge Ken Clark (length 130 by width 31 feet) alongside while dredging. The Ken Clark will be tended by the Tug Waldo (length 54 feet). The Aqua Beaver and Waldo will be standing by on VHF channels 16 and 13 for traffic advisory. Western Marine Const. requests that all approaching traffic call for current position and conditions information. Beginning January 15 there will be periods where Wrangell Narrows is closed to all traffic for blasting and dredging operations. For current recorded information on dredging locations or blasting closures please call (907) 772-2844.

ALASKA - COOK INLET – SPECIAL OPERATING PROCEDURES

Due to ice conditions in Cook Inlet, the Coast Guard is imposing special operating procedures for all vessels transiting Cook Inlet above 60 degrees, 45 minutes North, as of December 15, 2000. Written notice will be provided when these procedures are implemented for other portions of Cook Inlet. Terminal operators should implement their own ice procedures as conditions warrant. These procedures will remain in effect until further notice. To obtain a copy of the special operating procedures or have any questions concerning this matter, please contact LTJG Mark McManus at (907)271-6762 or LT Chris Woodle at (907)283-3292.

PORT CLARENCE - LORAN-C OPERATIONS - PROPOSED OFF AIR TIME

This is a proposal to authorize Lorsta Port Clarence (rate 7960-Z/9990-Y) off-air time from 1700Z to 1900Z on 24 January 2001. The alternate time will be from 1700Z to 1900Z on 25 January 2001. Objections will be considered until 1700Z 17 January 2001. Users shall address inquiries to the Alaskan Chain Operations Control Officer at (907)487-5561. Current Loran-C status is available 24 hrs/day through Internet address <http://www.navcen.uscg.mil>, <ftp://ftp.navcen.uscg.mil>.

CAPE HINCHINBROOK-DGPS-OFF AIR

Cape Hinchinbrook DGPS site will be off air for maintenance during the following time period: 1800Z to 2200Z 24 January 2001
Alternate: 1800Z to 2200Z 25 January 2001

POTATO POINT-DGPS-OFF AIR

Potato Point DGPS site will be off air for maintenance during the following time period: 1900Z to 2100Z 30 January 2001
Alternate: 1900Z to 2100Z 31 January 2001

II DISCREPANCIES – DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

WARNING: Mariners are cautioned that portions of destroyed structures may remain visible or may be submerged.

Abbreviations normally used in the Local Notice to Mariners are as follows:

LNM – Local Notice to Mariners

TLB – Temporary Lighted Buoy

TDBN – Temporary Daybeacon

DISCREPANCIES

BNM – Broadcast Notice to Mariners

TRLB – Temporarily Replaced by Lighted Buoy

TRUB – Temporarily Replaced by Unlighted Buoy

TUB – Temporary Unlighted Buoy

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNM
1481	NOAA Data Lighted Buoy 46035	Extinguished	513	401/00	44/00
25970	Evans Island Light	Extinguished	16701	508/00	01/01
27485	Iliuliuk Harbor South Channel Buoy 10	Off station	16529	006/01	02/01
27490	Iliuliuk Harbor South Channel Buoy 11	Off station	16529	006/01	02/01
27810	Ekuk Range Front Light	Damaged	16322	469-00	48/00

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II DISCREPANCIES – DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED (Cont)

DISCREPANCIES/PRIVATE AIDS

Date 09 JANUAR 2000

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNLM
NONE					

DISCREPANCIES CORRECTED

24375	Sukkwon Strait Obstruction Buoy "SS"	Watching properly	17431	011/01	02/01
25970	Evans Island Light	Relighted	16701	508/00	02/01

III TEMPORARY CHANGES – TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED

TEMPORARY CHANGES

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNLM
25483	Point Bentinck Light	Disestablished	16709	010/01	02/01

TEMPORARY CHANGES CORRECTED

LLNR	NAME OF AID	STATUS	CHART	BNM	LNLM
NONE					

IV CHART CORRECTIONS

- 16011** 35th Ed 12/02/2000 NEW EDITION 16ACO16011 NAD 83 (NOS SILVER SPRING, MD) 02/01
 AK - Alaska Peninsula and Aleutian Islands to Segum Pass
 (New edition due to changes in hydrography) 1:1,023,188/\$17.00
- 16741** 9th Ed 01/10/98 Last LNM 11/98 NAD 83 (NOS NW-3903) 02/01
 AK - South Coast-Icy Bay
 Add text: Shoaling to bare rep 2000
 from 59°53'43.0"N 141°29'25.0"W
 to 59°54'48.1"N 141°29'24.6"W
 and from 59°55'15.7"N 141°29'04.0"W
 to 59°55'36.2"N 141°28'00.8"W
- 16760** 10th Ed. 11/18/2000 NEW EDITION 16ACO1616760 NAD 83 (NOS SILVER SPRING, MD) 02/01
 AK - Southeast Coast-Cross Sound to Yakutat Bay
 (New edition due to changes in hydrography)

V ADVANCE NOTICE OF CHANGES TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

The Coast Guard is currently conducting a Waterways Analysis and Management System study of the following Western Alaska waterways: Rat Islands, Near Islands, Pribolof Islands, Hooper Bay and Nunivak Island, Ugashik Bay, Kvichak Bay and Togiak Bay. The study focuses on the area's aids to navigation system, waterborne commerce, marine casualty information, port/harbor resources, and future development projects. Replies are requested by February 28th. Any interested company or individual wishing to provide comments or participate in a user survey should contact:

ENS Michael Struthers
 P.O. Box 190651
 Chiniak Highway
 Kodiak, AK 99615

The US Coast Guard is currently conducting a Waterways Analysis and Management System study of the following waterways: Whale Passage and Vicinity, Afognak Island, Shelikof Strait, Kenai River Entrance, and Kasilof River Entrance. The study focuses on the area's aids to navigation system, waterborne commerce, marine casualty information, port/harbor resources, and future development projects. All waterway users are encouraged to provide their input for these very important studies. A survey may be requested via email at cgwams@hotmail.com or at the below address; please specify which waterway you would like to comment on.

Commanding Officer
 USCGC SEDGE (WLB 402)
 PO Box 101
 Homer, AK 99603
 ATTN: WAMS

VI PROPOSED CHANGES TO AIDS TO NAVIGATION

NONE

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VII GENERAL

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ALASKA - KAKE – PORTAGE COVE CONSTRUCTION (56-57N 133-55W)

Construction of a 1200 foot long rock breakwater is continuing to the north of the existing small boat harbor. The construction area should be avoided at all times. Mariners are advised not to approach construction equipment in the area on anchor wires. Be aware of yellow painted steel anchor buoys in the area. The anchor buoys have reflective markings. Shoaling will occur shoreward (north) directly adjacent to the existing harbor. Do not transit north as large rocks are placed in the vicinity daily and may not be visible. Do not anchor or set pots in the path of the barges and tug between the project site and the loading dock SE of the harbor. Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution when operating near Kake Harbor from September 2000 through July 2001. For more information contact Kake Tribal Logging and Timber at (907)785-3716, or (907) 785-3380, or the Army Corps Of Engineers Project Office at (907) 785-3375.

VIII LIGHT LIST CORRECTIONS

NONE

IX ADDITIONAL ENCLOSURES

NONE		
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