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Topics: National Ocean Survey (NOS) Nautical Charting in Alaska

Agenda Items:

1) Hydrographic surveys in Alaska. Alaska has greatest amount of Critical Survey areas in the US, followed by the Gulf of Mexico. Review of the published NOS plan and updates related to existing survey backlog.

2) Contractor operations in Alaska. Effective use of contractor assets and personnel, and need for long term, steady work. The Alaska hydrographic technical capability is growing to meet the survey backlog challenge.

3) Procurement issues:

- Hydrographic survey contracts
- Shoreline initiatives through the NGS
- Vessel time charter (Gulf of Mexico & Alaska)
- New national, contracts for Lidar and Hydro