



# HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEY

## Hydrographic Field Practical

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# HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYING FIELDWORK: Survey Planning, Data Acquisition, Data Processing & Map Production

The aim of this lecture is to produce graduate that is knowledgeable and skillful in the conducting basic hydrographic surveying fieldwork: Planning, Data Gathering, Processing and Analysis.



Ability to acquire knowledge of science and technology in the field of Hydrographic Surveying



Ability to plan and execute hydrographic tasks systematically.



Ability to lead, coordinate and manage hydrographic project professionally.



Ability to process the collected data to feed the production of the nautical charts or other thematic maps.



Ability to apply and analyze information using appropriate hydrographic surveying techniques and tools

# Hydrography

Hydrography is the branch of applied sciences which deals with the measurement and description of the physical features of oceans, seas, coastal areas, lakes and rivers, as well as with the prediction of their change over time, for the primary purpose of safety of navigation and in support of all other marine activities, including economic development, security and defense, scientific research, and environmental protection. (14 September 2011, [www.iho.int](http://www.iho.int))



*What is Hydrographic Science??*

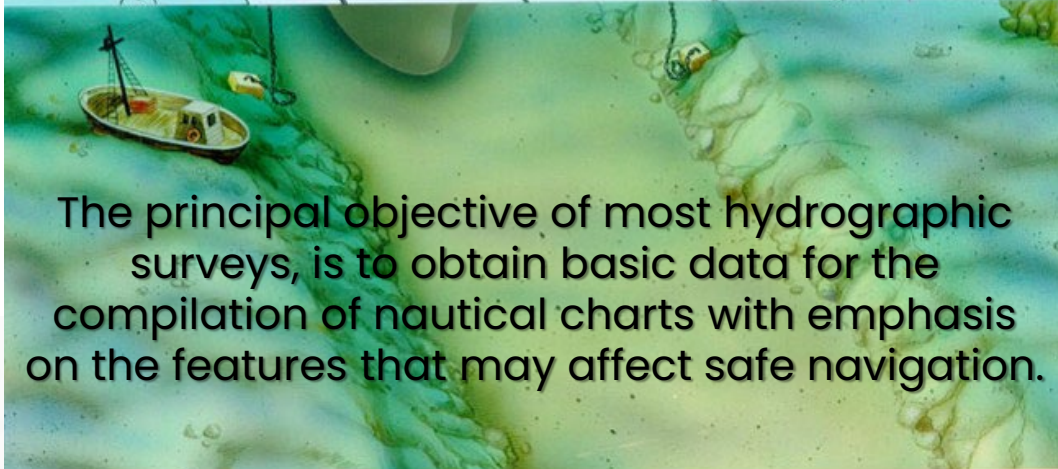
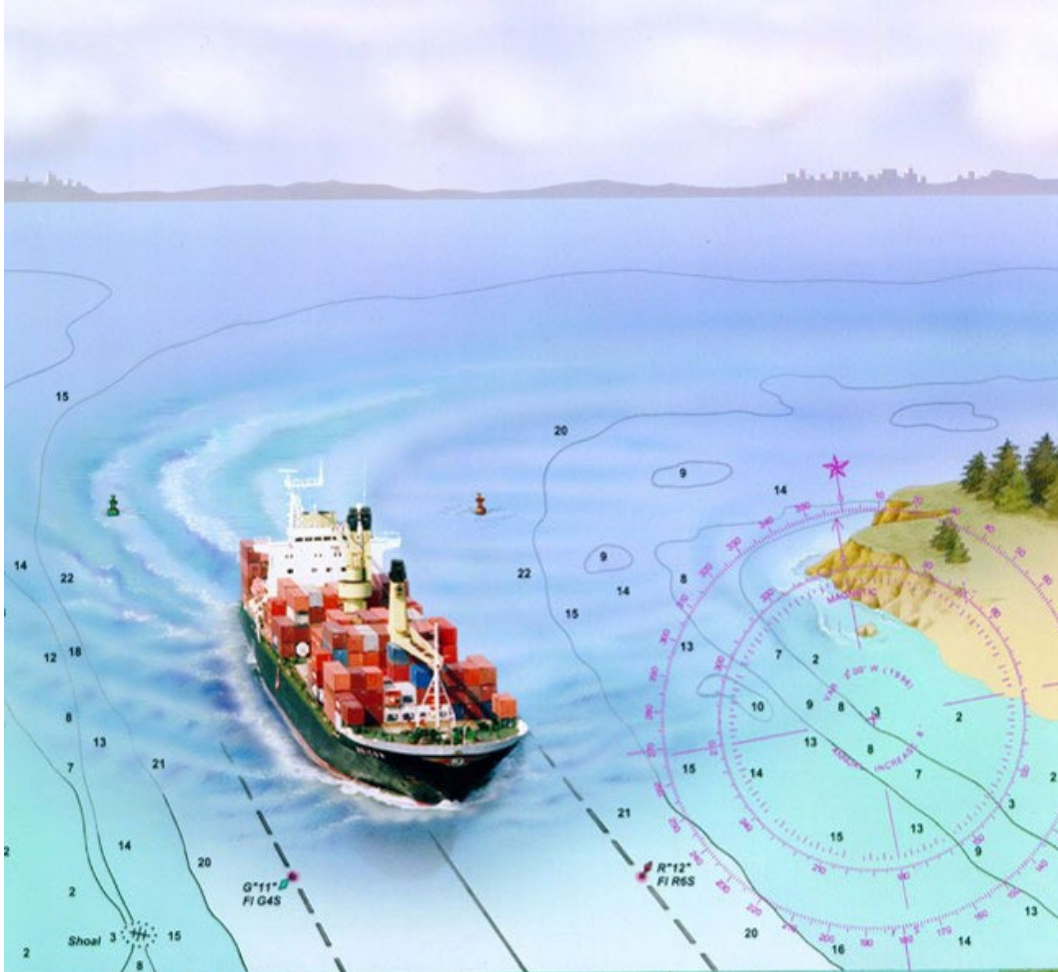
*Why Hydrography is Important?*

*What would be the economic implications if there were no hydrographic services?*

Hydrography is the total set of spatial data and information, and the applied science of its acquisition, maintaining and processing, necessary to describe the topographical, physical and dynamical nature of the hydrosphere and its borders to the solid earth, and the associated facilities and structures.

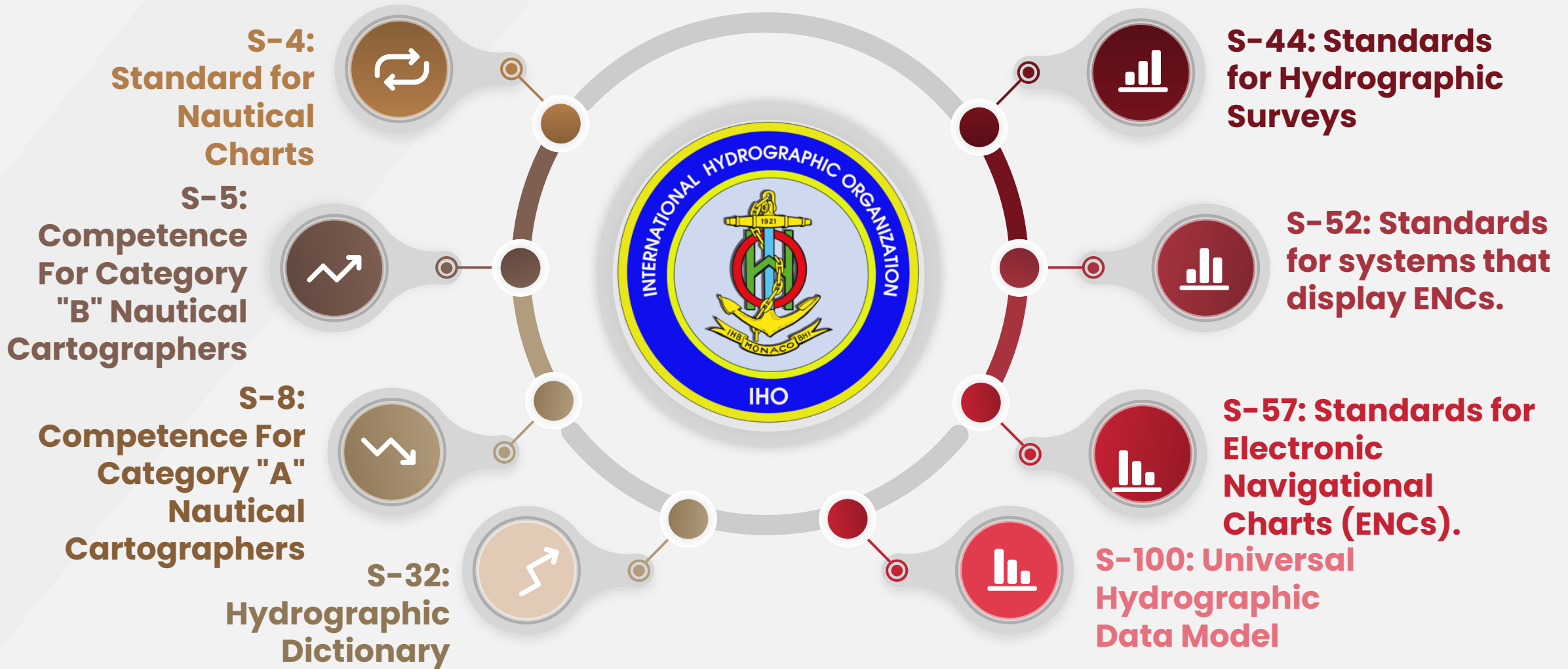
# HYDROGRAPHIC

- **Hydrographic Surveys**
  - Depth
  - Position
  - Time
  - Seawater Characteristics
- **Accurately depict the full detail of the seafloor**
- **Location and description of man-made and natural features:**
  - Shoals
  - Wrecks
  - Rocks
  - Coral reefs
- **Meet IHO Standards**
  - C13 – Manual in Hydrography
  - S44 – Standard for Hydrographic Surveys



The principal objective of most hydrographic surveys, is to obtain basic data for the compilation of nautical charts with emphasis on the features that may affect safe navigation.

# IHO Standards



# S-44 – Standards for Hydrographic Surveys

Order	Exclusive	Special	1a	1b	2
<b>Description of areas.</b>	Areas where there is strict minimum underkeel clearance and manoeuvrability criteria.	Areas where under-keel clearance is critical.	Areas shallower than 100 metres where under-keel clearance is less critical but features of concern to surface shipping may exist.	Areas shallower than 100 metres where under-keel clearance is not considered to be an issue for the type of surface shipping expected to transit the area.	Areas generally deeper than 100 metres where a general description of the sea floor is considered adequate.
<b>Maximum allowable THU 95%</b>	1 metre	2 metres	5 metres + 5% of depth	5 metres + 5% of depth	20 metres + 10% of depth
<b>Maximum allowable TVU 95%</b>	a = 0.15 m; b = 0.0075 m	a = 0.25 m; b = 0.0075 m	a = 0.5 m; b = 0.013 m	a = 0.5 m; b = 0.013 m	a = 1.0 m; b = 0.023 m
<b>Full Sea floor Search</b>	200%	100%	100%	Not required	Not required
<b>Feature Detection</b>	Cubic features > 0.5 metre	Cubic features > 1 metre	Cubic features > 2 metre, in depths up to 40 metre; 10% of depth beyond 40 metres	Not Applicable	Not Applicable



*summarizes minimum standards for hydrographic surveys; standards vary depending primarily on the importance of the safety of surface navigation*

# HYDROGRAPHIC FIELDWORK



## PLANNING

### Survey Preparation, Planning & Design

- Research/Purpose of Survey
- Desktop Study/Survey Planning
  - Site Visit/Recce



## DATA GATHERING

### Mobilization & Survey Operation

- Establishment of positional control
- Establishment of tide control
- Equipment Installation & Calibration
- On Site & Onboard Survey



## DATA PROCESSING

### Data Cleaning, Processing and Thinning

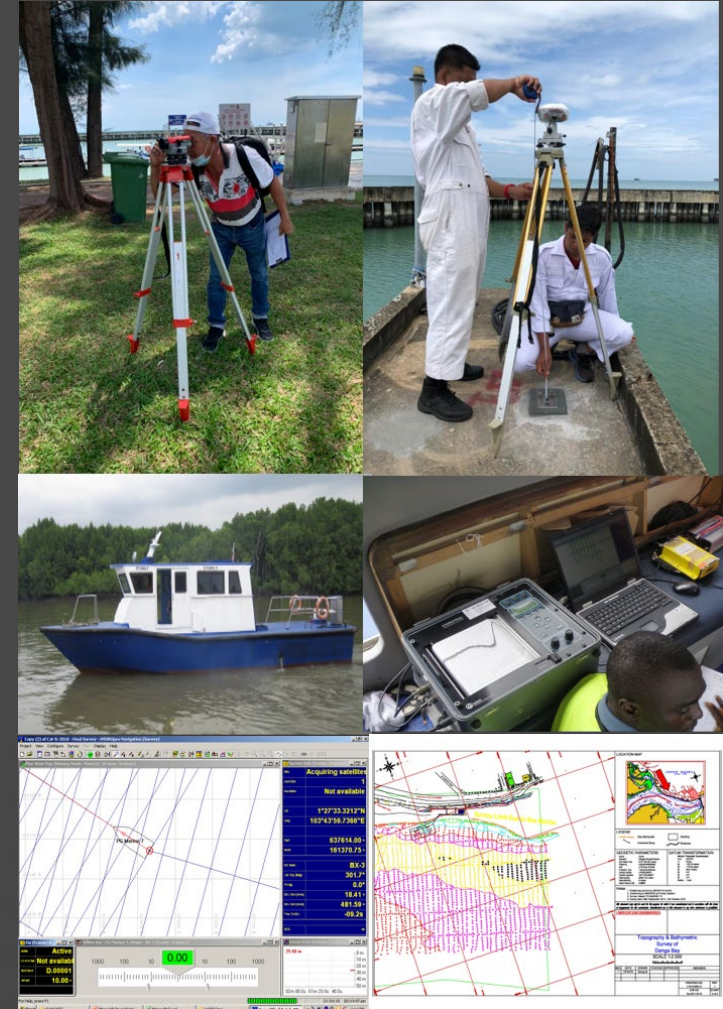
- Tidal Data Processing
  - SBES Processing
  - MBES Processing
  - Export to Map



## DATA ANALYSIS

### Result & Discussion

- Summary

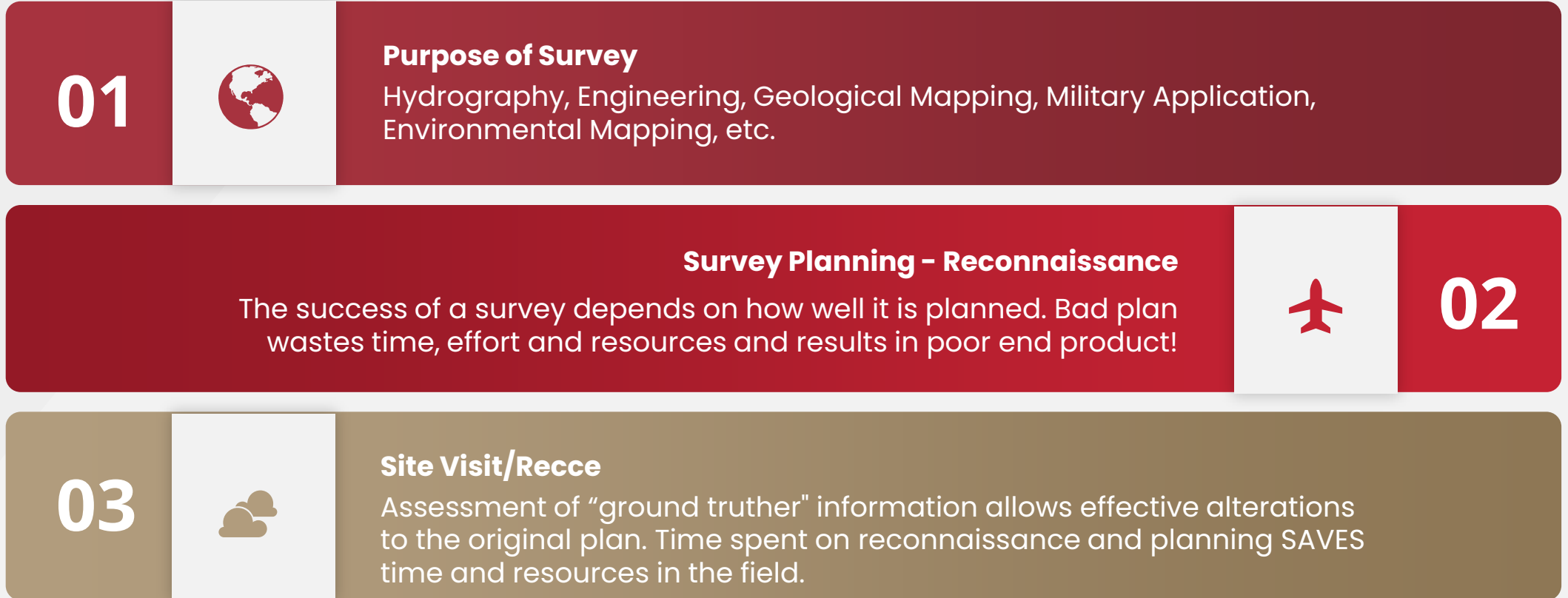




# Survey Preparation, Planning & Design

Examine the requirements of the survey task:

- what is required?
- for what purpose?
- in what timeframe?

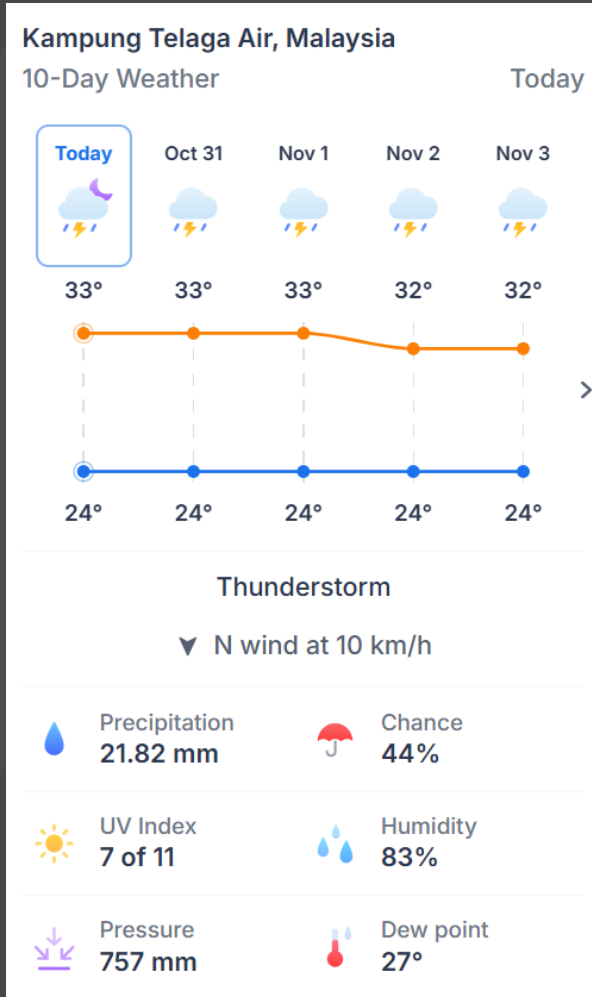


# Planning Considerations

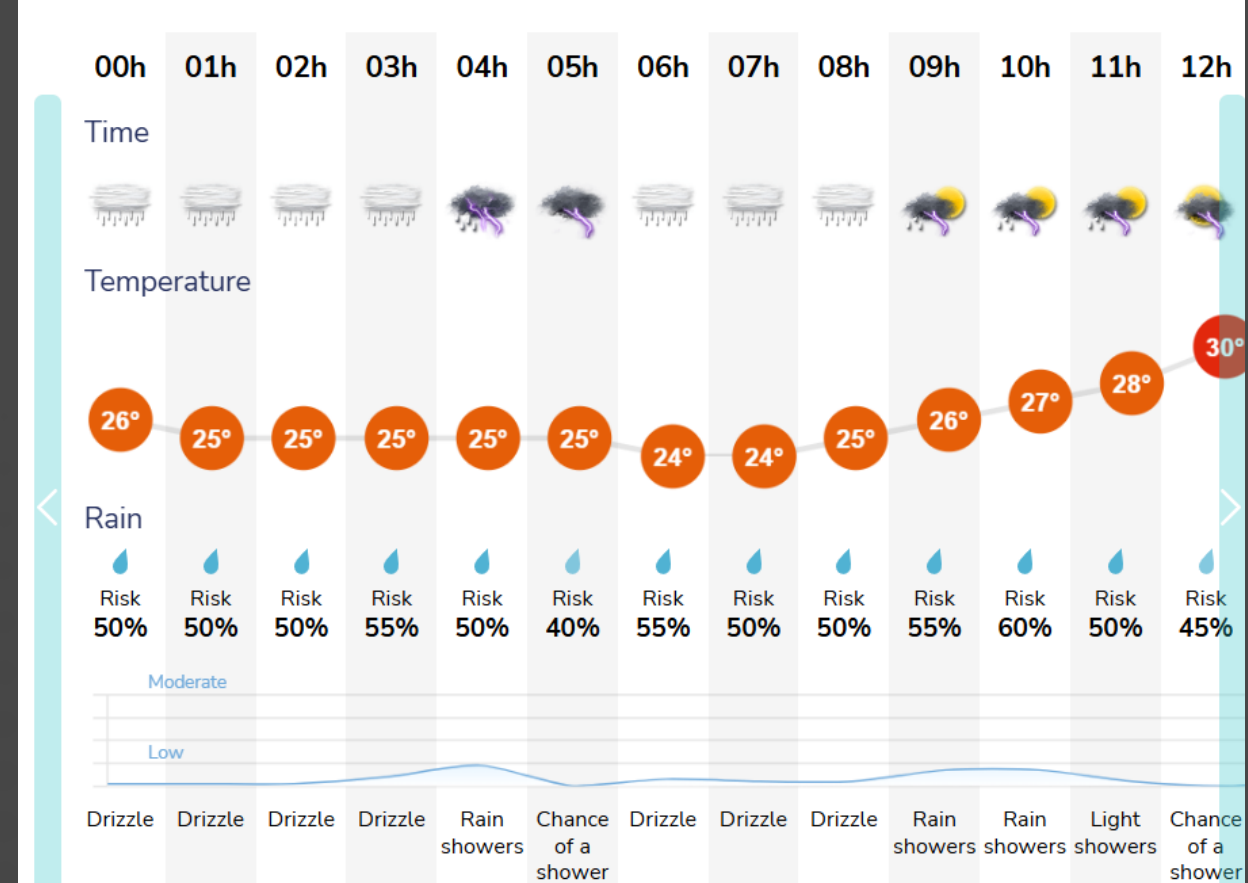


*“If You Fail to Plan, You Are Planning to Fail” – Benjamin Franklin*

# Weather Forecast



## Thursday 31



# Tidal Time Forecast



# HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS PLANNING

## Location :

Telaga Air, Kuching, Sarawak

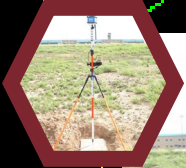
## Toolbox Briefing

- ❑ Consortium A, B, C & D (07:00-07:30am)
- ❑ Equipment Installation & Checking
- ❑ Tidal Observation & Record

*\*Briefing and Surveys Planning for Hydrographic Field Practical has been conducted at CENTEXS.*

*"Knowledge allows us to establish our professionalism and build upon it to reflect the level of achievement in our career path".*

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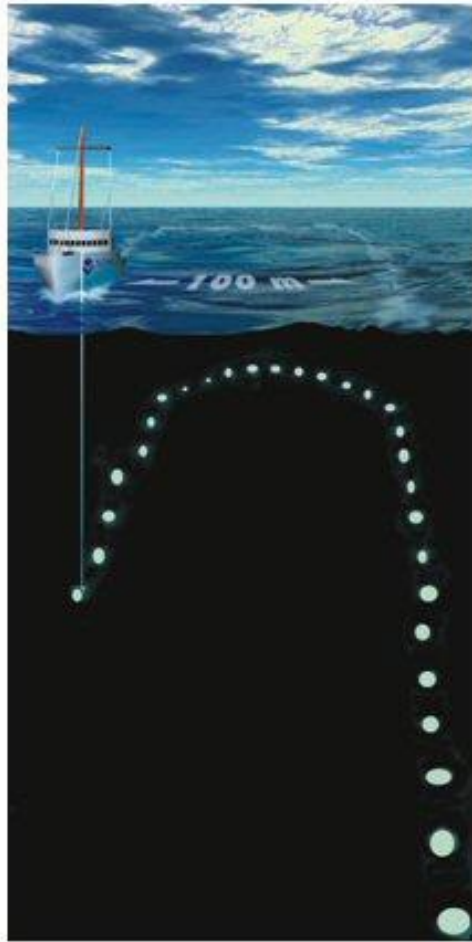


Project Site

"Plans are of little importance, but planning is essential." - Winston Churchill

Site Recce

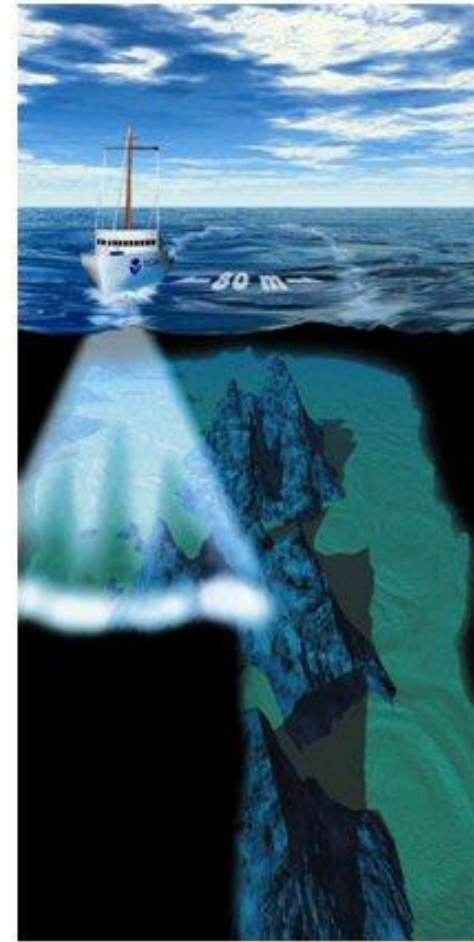
# HYDROGRAPHIC SURVEYS



**Leadline  
Surveys**



**Single Beam Echo  
Sounder Surveys**



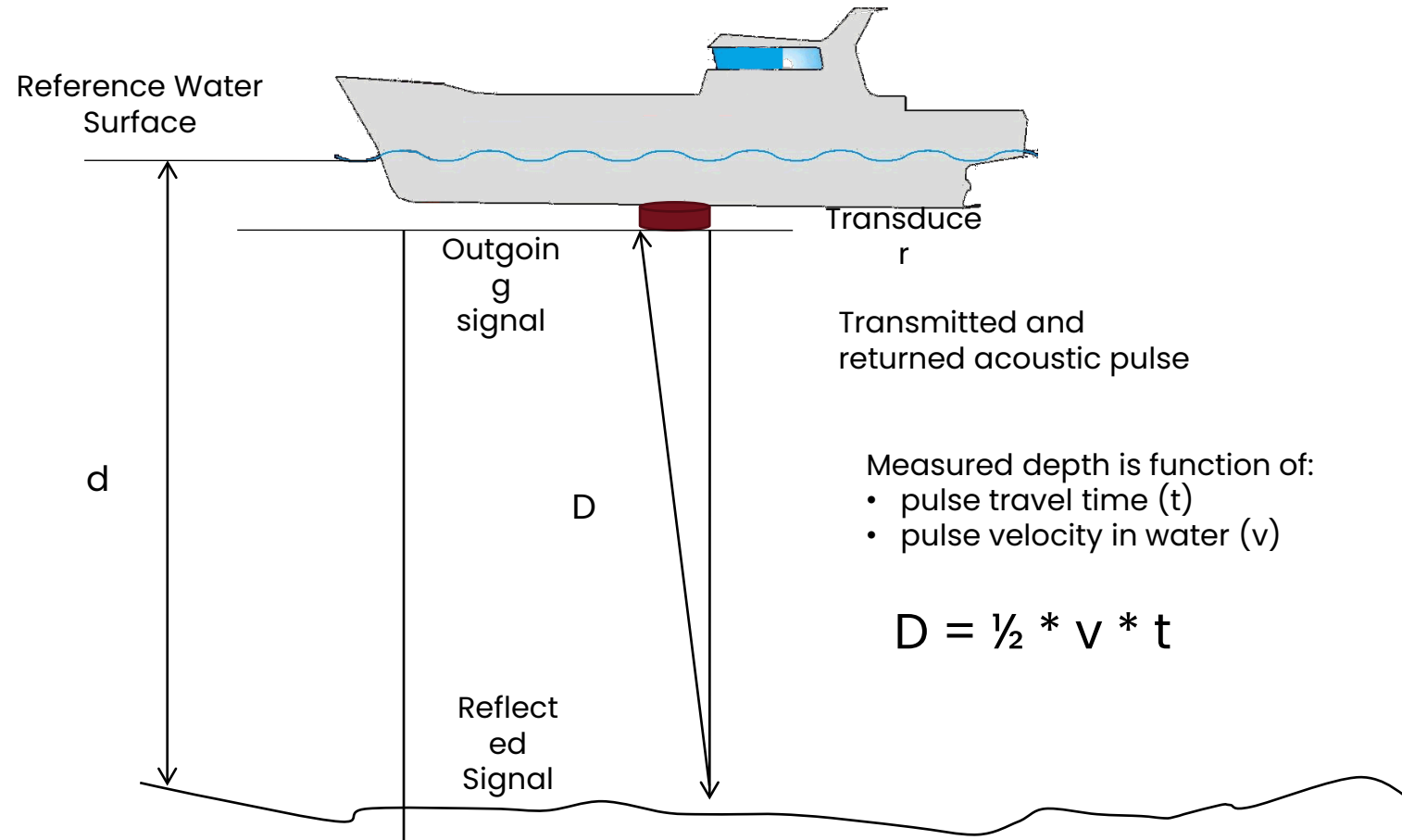
**Multibeam Full  
Bottom Coverage**

# SINGLE BEAM – ODOM HYDROTRAC (200kHz)

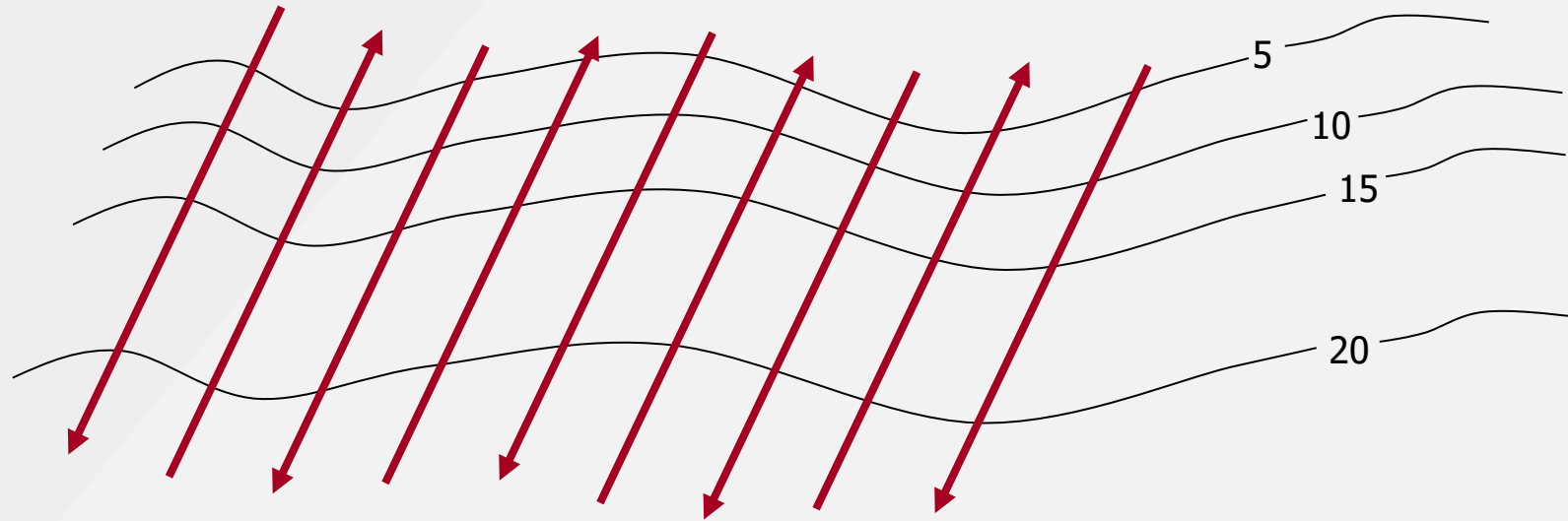




## Principle of Acoustic Measurement (SBES)



## ***SBES SOUNDING LINE LAYOUT***



In single beam surveying, lines are designed to run normal to a slope. Due to the limits of a single beam, details of the slope are better mapped running up and down slope. However, this can lead to problems if the area to be mapped is in very shallow water.

# Mobilization & Survey Operation

01



## Establish Horizontal Control

A horizontal datum is a reference system for specifying positions on the Earth's surface. Each datum is associated with a particular reference spheroid that can be different in size, orientation and relative position from the spheroids associated with other horizontal datums.

## Establish Vertical Control

The vertical component (e.g. depths, drying heights) should be referenced to a vertical reference frame that is suitable for the data type and intended use. This vertical reference frame maybe based on tidal observations (e.g. LAT, MWL, etc), on a physical model (i.e. geoid) or a reference ellipsoid.



02

03



## Equipment Installation and Calibration

Find a suitable place to install tide gauge and observe the tide records.  
Bar Check calibration for SBES / Patch Test calibration & SVP/CTD for MBES.

## On Site & Onboard Surveys

Levelling Survey (e.g. Conventional, RTK or Static GNSS)  
Vessel-based echo sounding survey (e.g. SBES, MBES or SSS)



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# Establishing Survey Datum

The horizontal component (e.g. Lat / Long or Northing / Easting) and vertical component (e.g. depths / heights) should be referenced to a coordinate reference frame that is suitable for the data type and intended use. Generally, a new Horizontal and Vertical Datum need to be established if there is no existing control point available nearby.



## SURVEY DATUM

Determine the designated Geographical Coordinate System (WGS84/GDM2000) or Projected Coordinate System (RSO/Cassini-Soldner) for the project



## PRECISE LEVELLING

Levelling survey (Auto Level, RTK, Static GNSS) need to be carried out to link the survey data to the designated survey datum (e.g. Chart Datum, MSL).



## PRECISE POSITIONING

Setting up your own RTK/DGPS reference station or using existing correction signal services (MyRTKnet, IskandarNet, IALA Radio Beacon, etc.) for enhanced positioning.



## TIDAL OBSERVATION

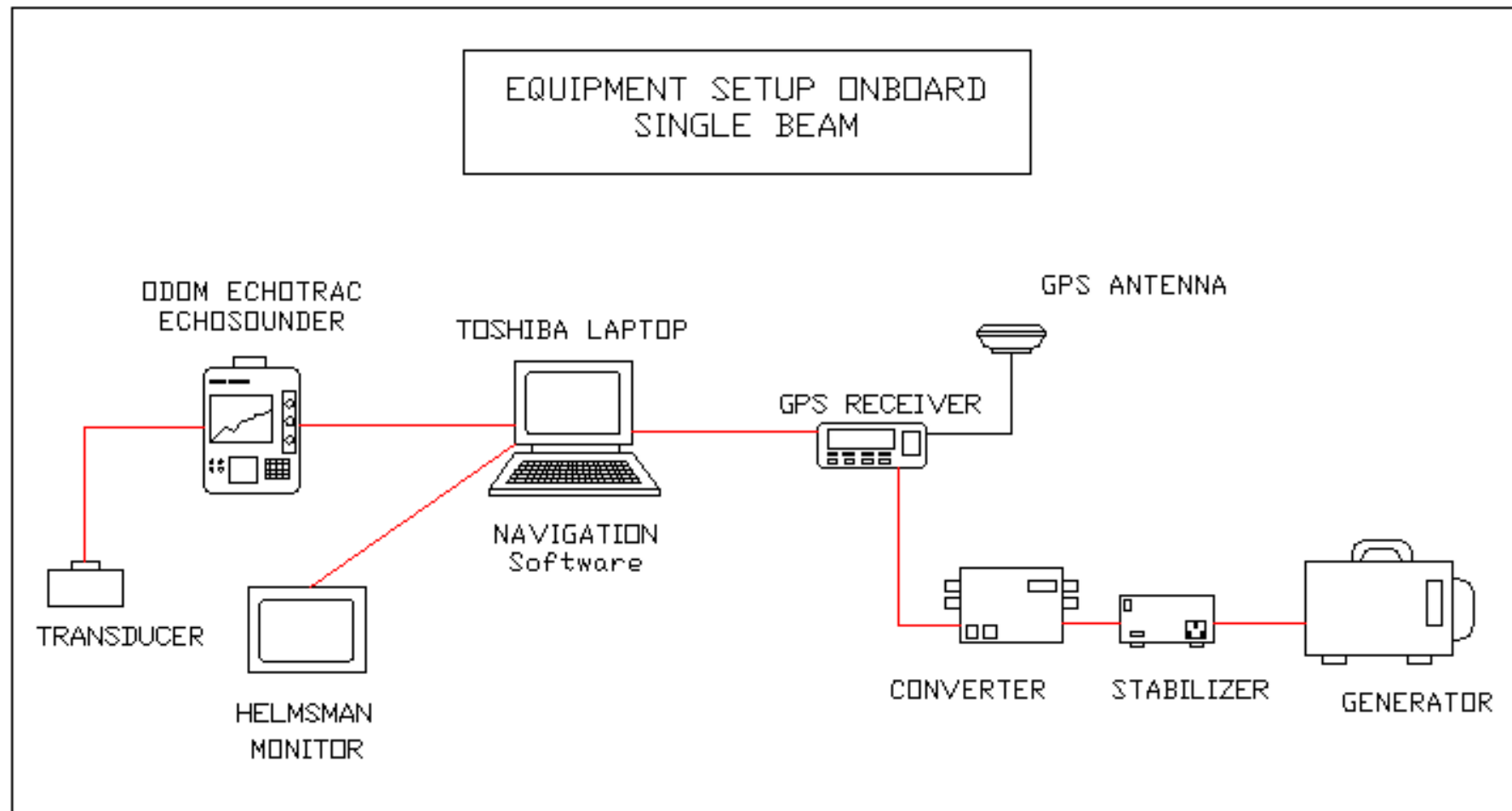
Installation of tide gauge and observe the tide records. Reduced depth can only be obtained after data cleaning and tide reduction using the designated sounding datum.

# Survey Vessel Configuration

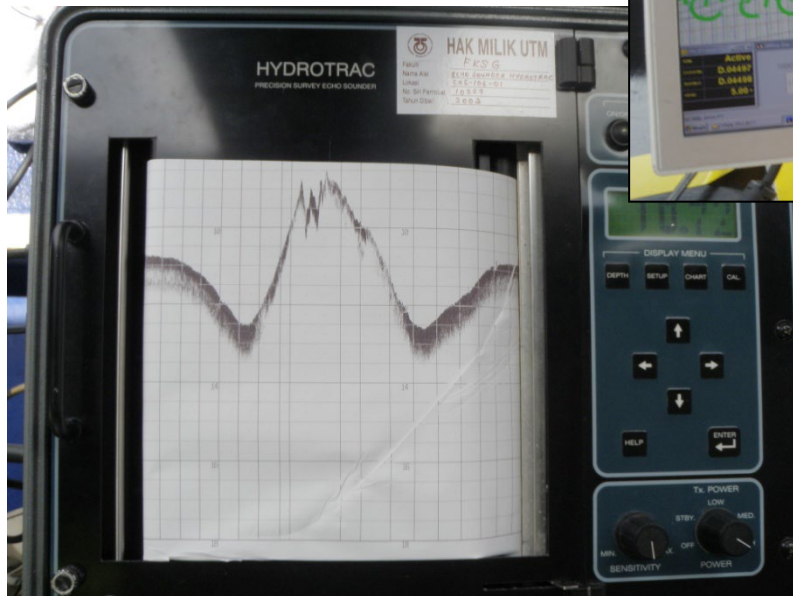
- ❑ Odom Single Beam Echo Sounder
- ❑ RTK Base & RTK Rover GNSS receiver
- ❑ Laptop with Trimble Hydropro software
- ❑ Generator or Batteries
- ❑ DC to AC power Inverter
- ❑ Communication cables
- ❑ Chain cum bar plate (for bar check calibration)



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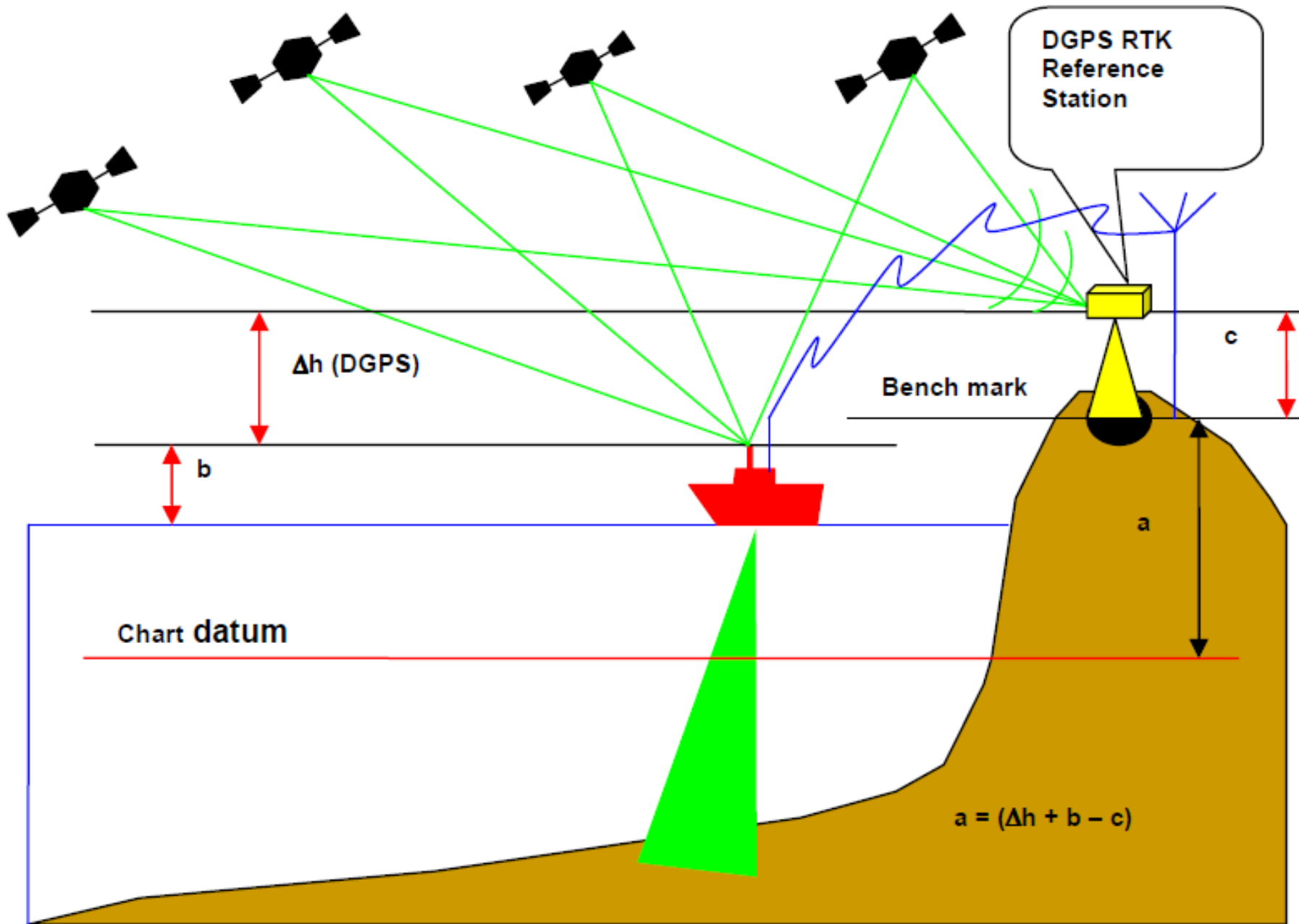


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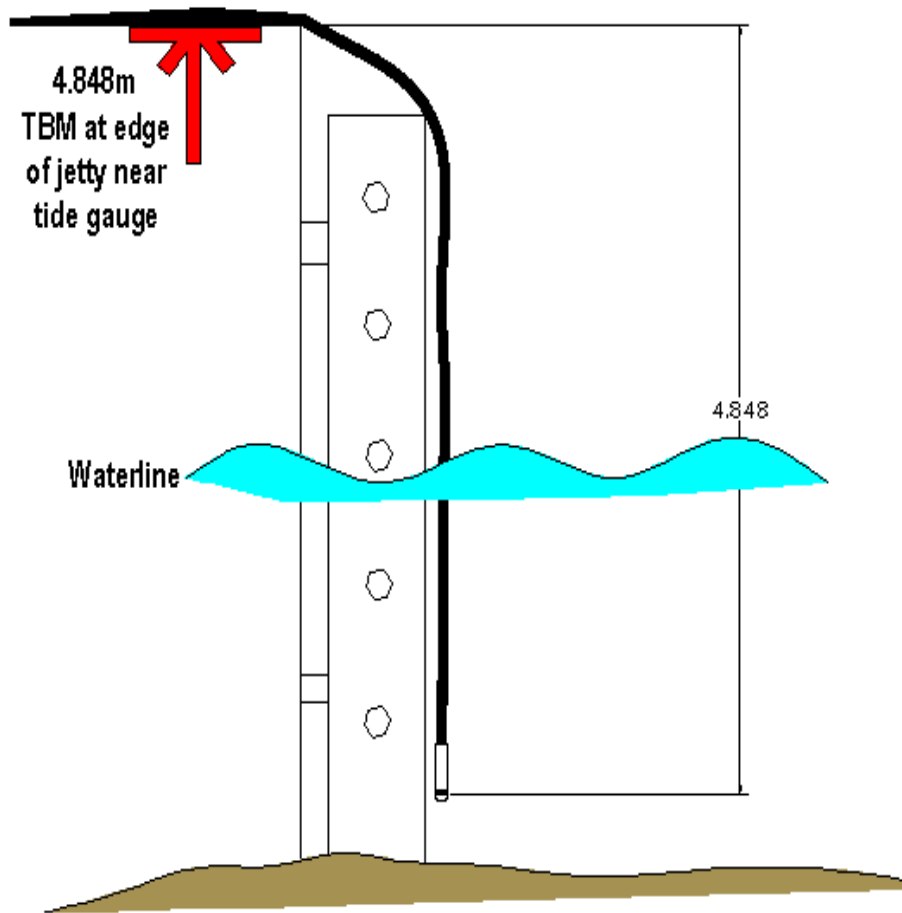


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Job ID :		<b>DATA COLLECTION LOG</b>				Date Surveyed :	
Log File :						Surveyor :	
Fix Int :						Computer Operator :	
Line No.	Line Name	Fix		Time		Heading	Remark
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







### Tide Times for Kuching (tomorrow): Thursday 31 October 2024


Tide 	Time (+08) & Date	Height
High Tide	<b>4:09 AM</b> <i>(Thu 31 October)</i>	<b>4.66 m</b> <i>(15.29 ft)</i>
Low Tide	<b>10:47 AM</b> <i>(Thu 31 October)</i>	<b>1.59 m</b> <i>(5.22 ft)</i>
High Tide	<b>4:39 PM</b> <i>(Thu 31 October)</i>	<b>4.66 m</b> <i>(15.29 ft)</i>
Low Tide	<b>11:02 PM</b> <i>(Thu 31 October)</i>	<b>1.9 m</b> <i>(6.23 ft)</i>





 Sunrise: 6:20AM	 Sunset: 6:24PM	 Moonrise: 5:13AM	 Moonset: 5:30PM
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### Tide Times for Kuching: Friday 01 November 2024

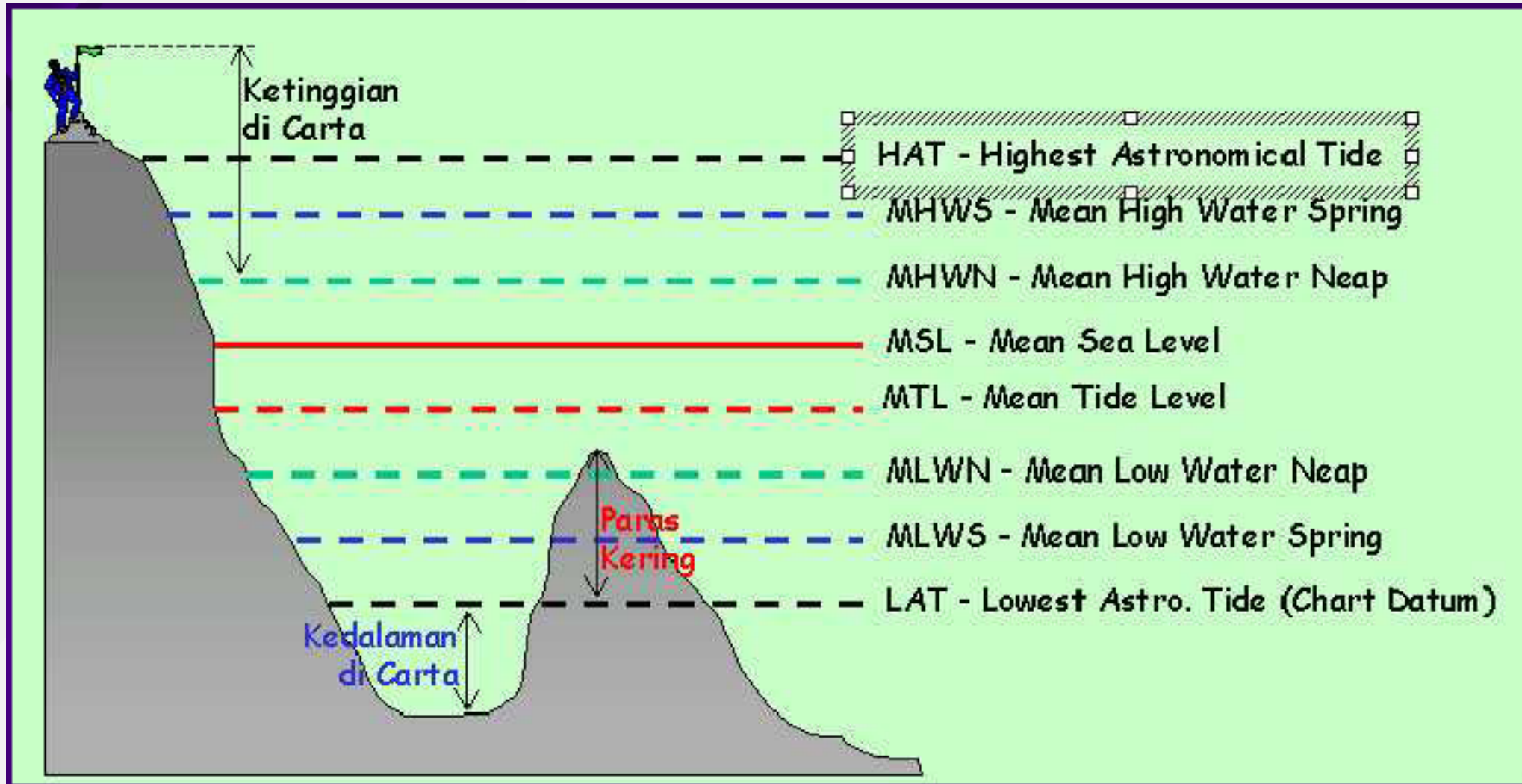
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Low Tide	<b>11:16 AM</b> <i>(Fri 01 November)</i>	<b>1.33 m</b> <i>(4.36 ft)</i>
High Tide	<b>5:17 PM</b> <i>(Fri 01 November)</i>	<b>4.85 m</b> <i>(15.91 ft)</i>
Low Tide	<b>11:37 PM</b> <i>(Fri 01 November)</i>	<b>1.94 m</b> <i>(6.37 ft)</i>

 Sunrise: 6:20AM	 Sunset: 6:23PM	 Moonrise: 5:54AM	 Moonset: 6:11PM
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## Type of Sounding Datum



## Levelling/Vertical Control

Carry out leveling work from TBM to Tide Pole

- ❑ Level instrument - 1 set
- ❑ Staff - 2 sets
- ❑ Circular bubble - 2 sets
- ❑ Tripod - 1 set
- ❑ 10m Tape - 1 set

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TBM 1 – Transfer Levelling Datum to Tide Pole station.



TBM 2 – Setup for RTK Base station.

Project file data		Coordinate System	
Name:	C:\Users\User\Documents\Trimble Business Center\TELAGA AIR_CENTEX_2024.vce	Name:	Malaysia/Borneo RSO
Size:	96 KB	Zone:	Malaysia
Modified:	6/11/2024 8:35:26 PM (UTC:8)	Datum:	Timbalai 1948 (Malaysia)
Time zone:	Malay Peninsula Standard Time	Global reference datum:	WGS 1984
Reference number:		Global reference epoch:	
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Comment 1:		Vertical datum:	
Comment 2:		Calibrated site:	
Comment 3:			

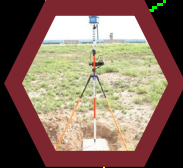
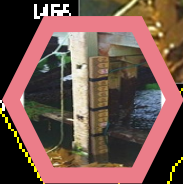
## Point List

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TBM1	2057813.6493	5185347.2303	4.5846	
TBM2	2058041.6379	5185378.6697	4.1891	
TBM3	2057937.3253	5185191.4566	4.4489	

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Project Site

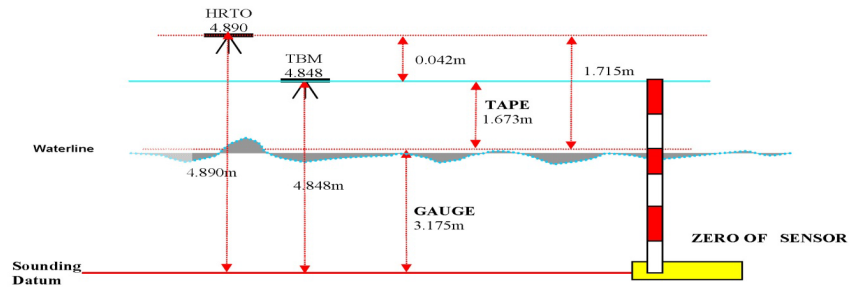


“Good coordinate system always starts from good coordination.”

Levelling / RTK Transfer Datum

Diagram of connections between sounding datum, benchmark and zero of sensor.

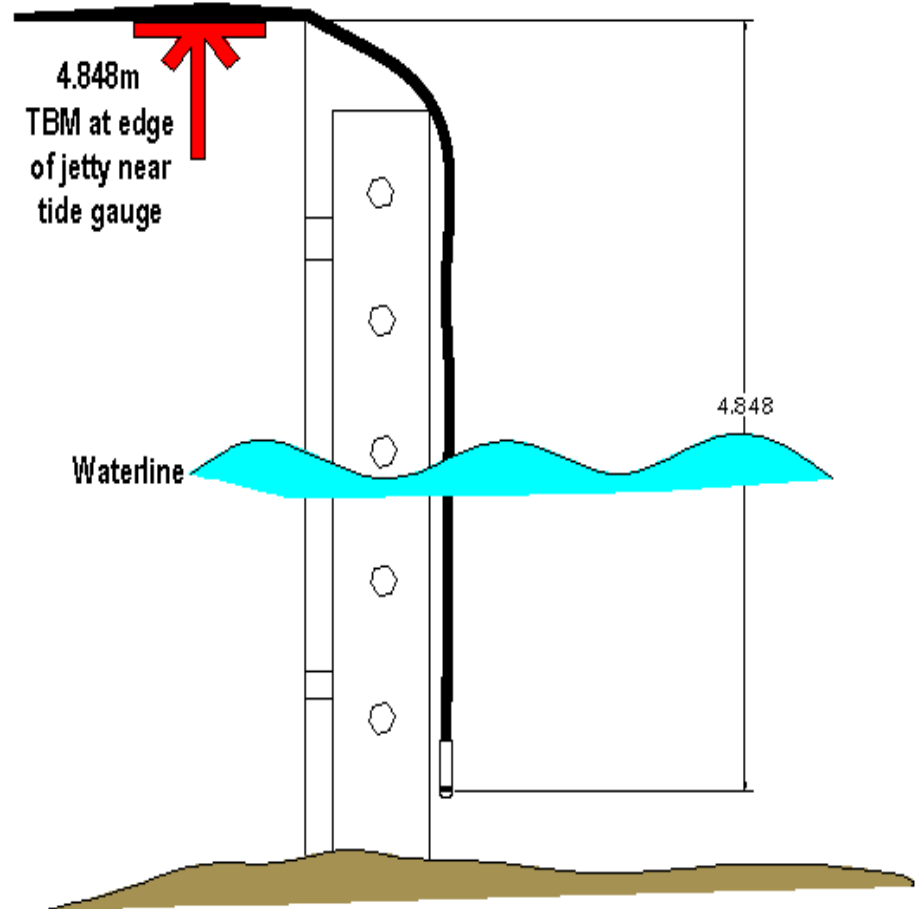
Place : Marine Jetty Danga Bay  
 Inclusive dates : 5<sup>th</sup> October 2010  
 Time kept : HOTEL  
 Reading Interval : 5 Minutes  
 Lat : N 161408.899      1°27'34.6425"N  
 Long : E 637888.986      103°44'08.5122"E



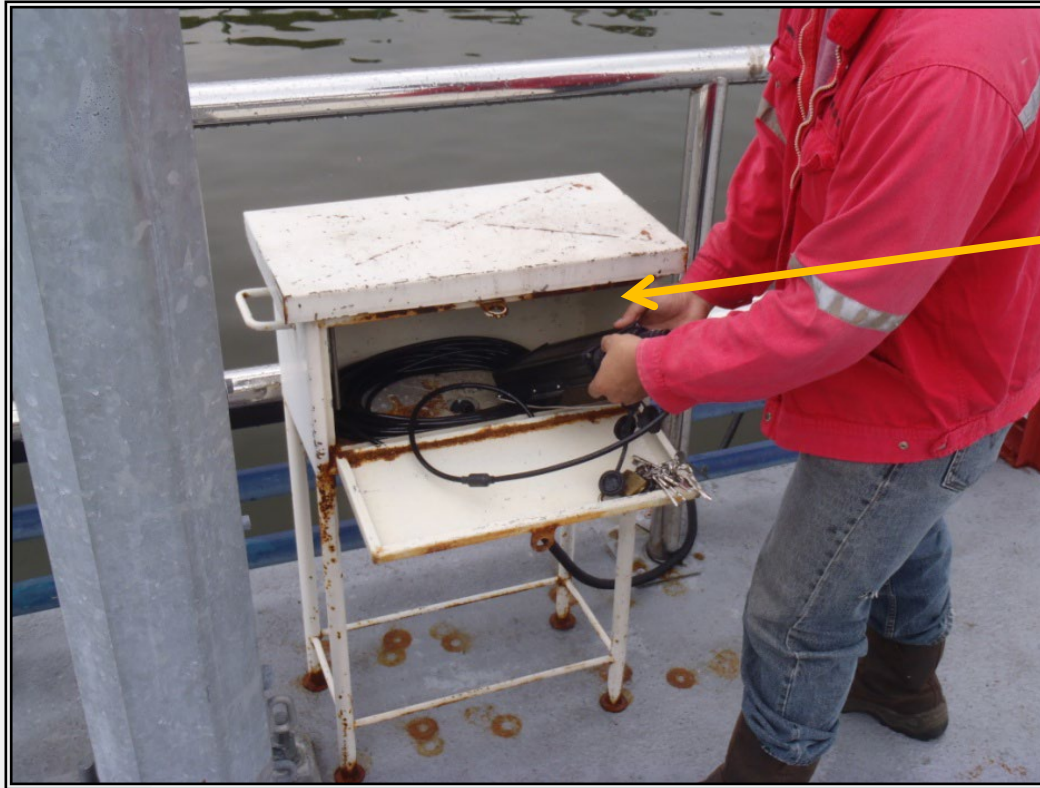
DATE	TIME	GAUGE	TAPE
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5/10/2010	8:54:00	3.140	1.708
5/10/2010	8:59:00	3.149	1.699
5/10/2010	9:04:00	3.161	1.687
5/10/2010	9:09:00	3.169	1.679
5/10/2010	9:14:00	3.181	1.667
5/10/2010	9:19:00	3.184	1.664
5/10/2010	9:24:00	3.188	1.660
5/10/2010	9:29:00	3.190	1.658
5/10/2010	9:34:00	3.192	1.656
5/10/2010	9:39:00	3.194	1.654
5/10/2010	9:44:00	3.193	1.655
5/10/2010	9:49:00	3.192	1.656
5/10/2010	9:54:00	3.190	1.658

TOTAL 44.447m 23.425m  
 AVERAGE 3.175m 1.673m

TOTAL to TBM 4.848m  
 HRTO Value 4.890m  
 Difference in Height HRTO to TBM ±0.042m







Tide Gauge  
Installation



Tide Gauge  
Station



File header created by: TIDELOG on 10/5/2010 2:35:58 PM

Filename: CAL.024

Pressure calibration:  $P = 12 \cdot -1.0531220e-11 + 2.0366921e-04 \cdot -1.1572080e+00$

Battery voltage: 5.79

VLR740 Serial number: 4267

Transducer serial number: 2231954

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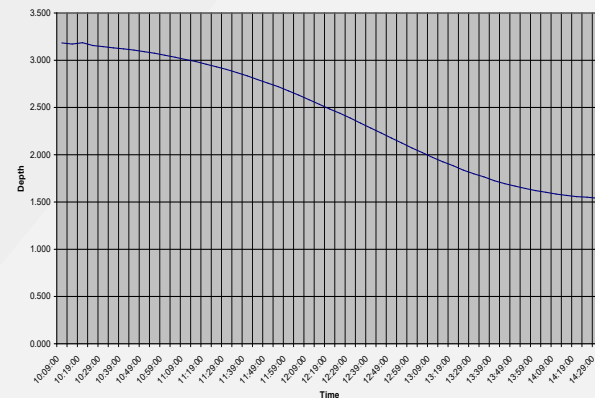
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Depth units: Dbar

Secondary Gain coeff: 1

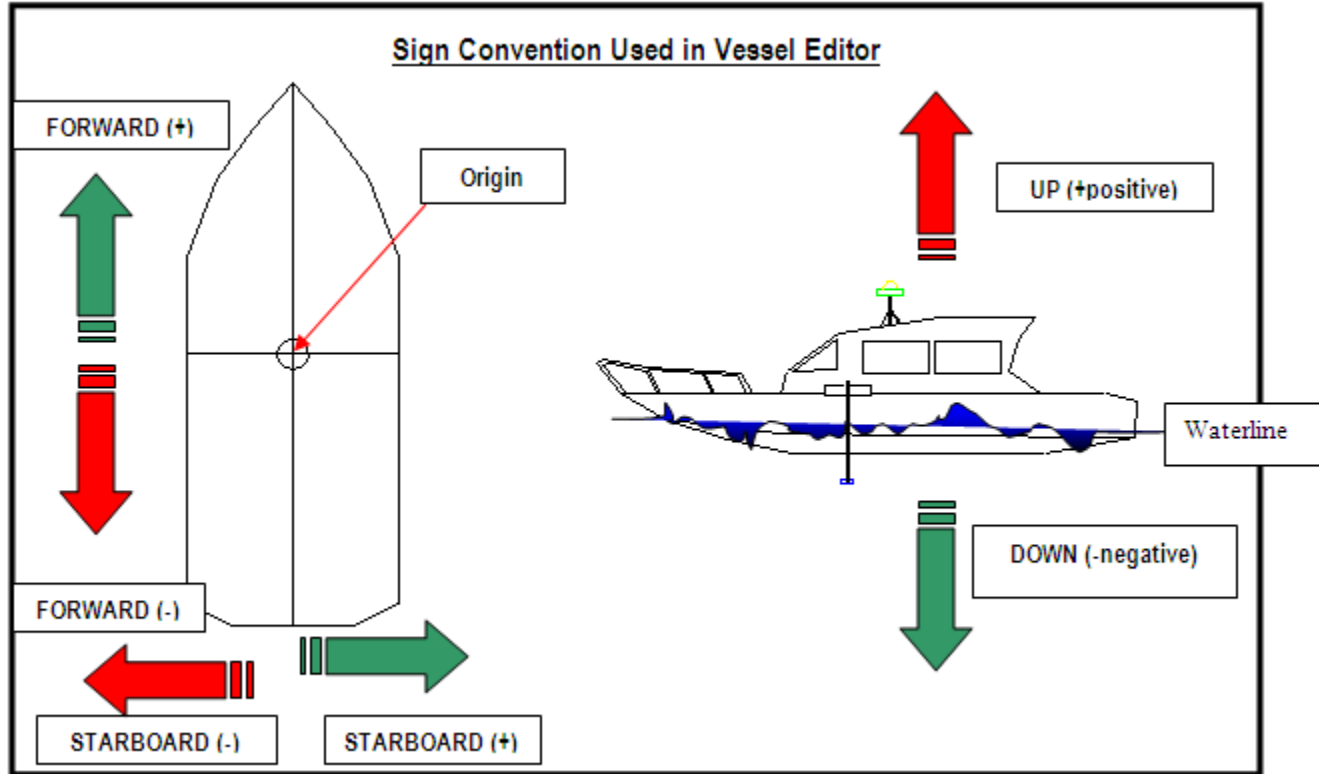
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Tide data download from Tide Gauge

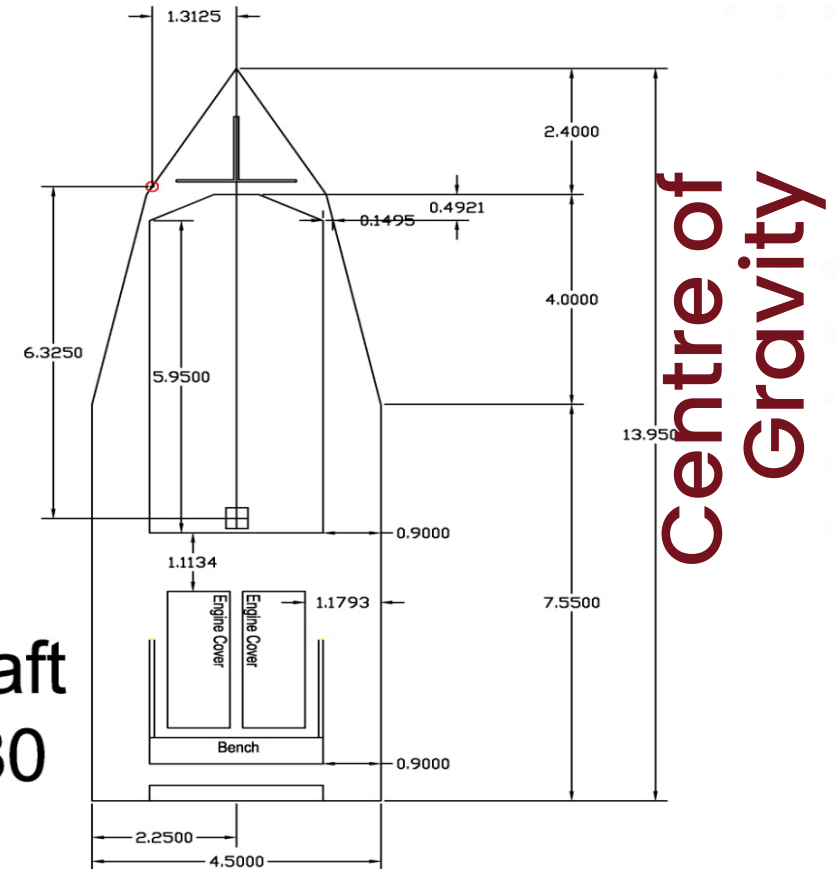
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5/10/2010	10:14:00	3.172
5/10/2010	10:19:00	3.186
5/10/2010	10:24:00	3.156
5/10/2010	10:29:00	3.144
5/10/2010	10:34:00	3.131
5/10/2010	10:39:00	3.121

# Vessel Configuration



The offsets are of critical importance on a vessel. It is these offset locations that determine where equipment devices are located on the vessel and the positions that are derived for them.

Draft  
1.80



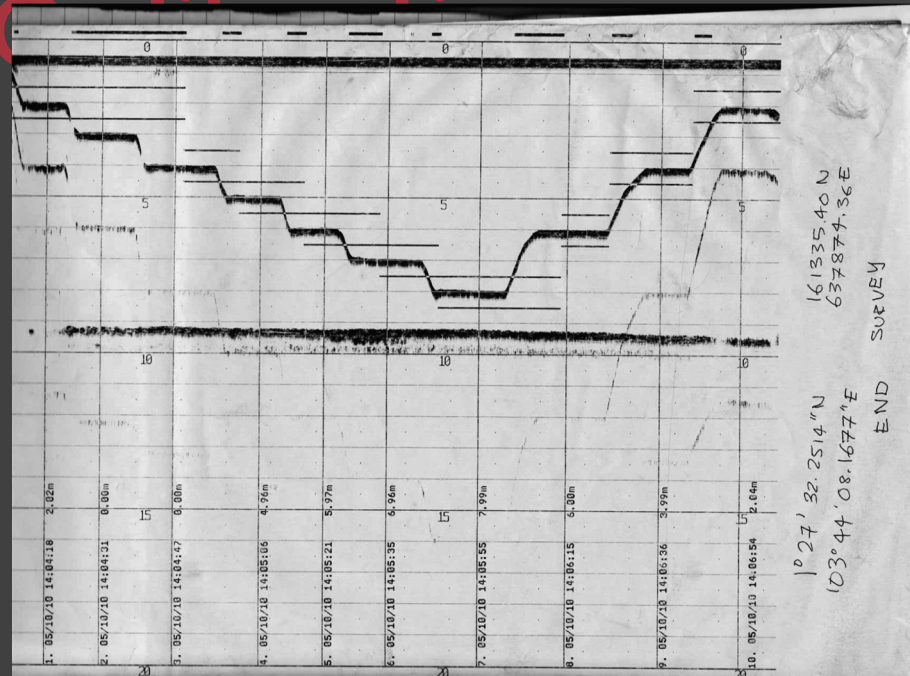
The centre of gravity (COG) is the point of the vessel where the force representing the weight of the vessel exerts its power.



# Bar Check Calibration

- ❑ to determine the correct sound velocity.
- ❑ to determine whether the transducer draft is correct.
- ❑ to verify that the transducer draft does not change before and after the survey.
- ❑ bar check plate is lowered to the nearest sounded depth in that area.

# Bar Check



Sample of the Echo trace recorded for the Bar Check Calibration.

The bar plate was placed under the transducer and the 1.0m mark on the bar plate rope was aligned to the transducer draft. It is then lowered to the nearest bottom displayed on the echo trace. See figure 2b.

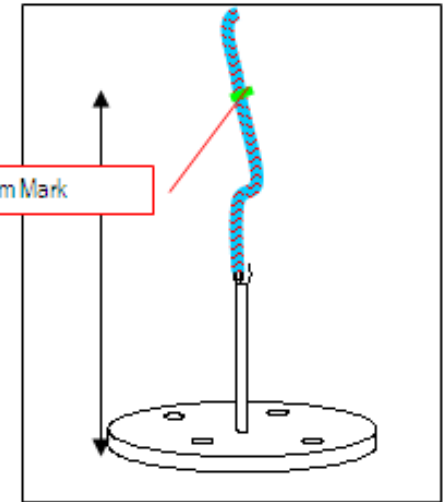


Figure 2a

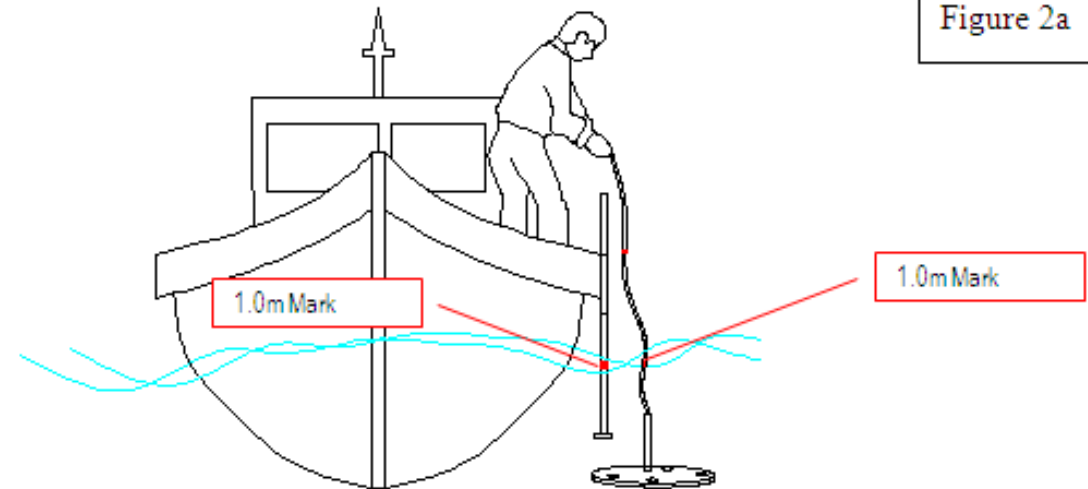


Figure 2b

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KML file

Paradise Beach Trombol

Exit slideshow

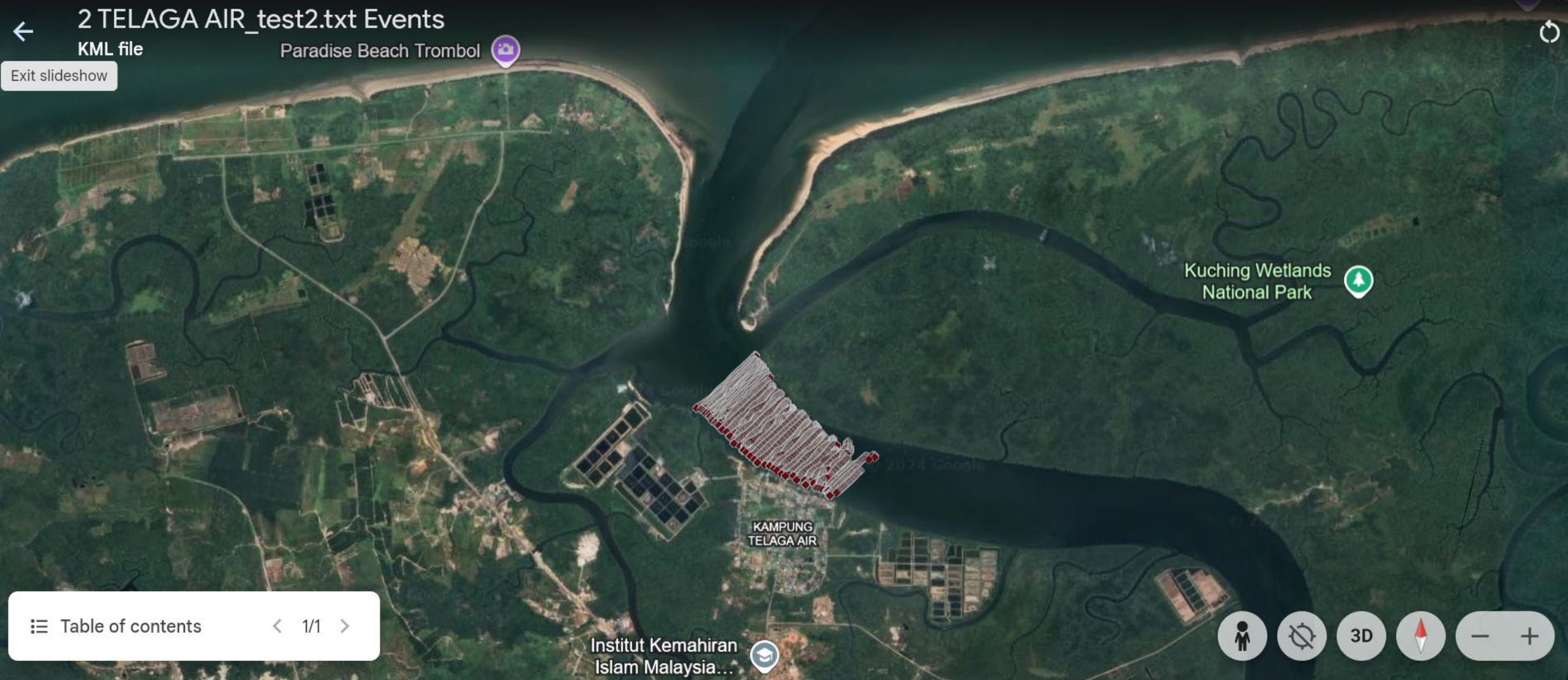
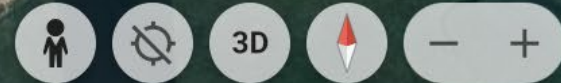


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# Bathymetric Survey

UTM-CENTEXS Survey Camp 2023

## Legend

- D'White Station Telaga Air Kuching
- Feature 1
- PNK SATANG BIRU LKIM
- Telaga Air Waterfront



Kampung Sibulaut

PNK SATANG BIRU LKIM

D'White Station Telaga Air Kuching

KAMPUNG SUNGAI AUR

KAMPUNG TELAGA AIR

Google Earth

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4000 ft

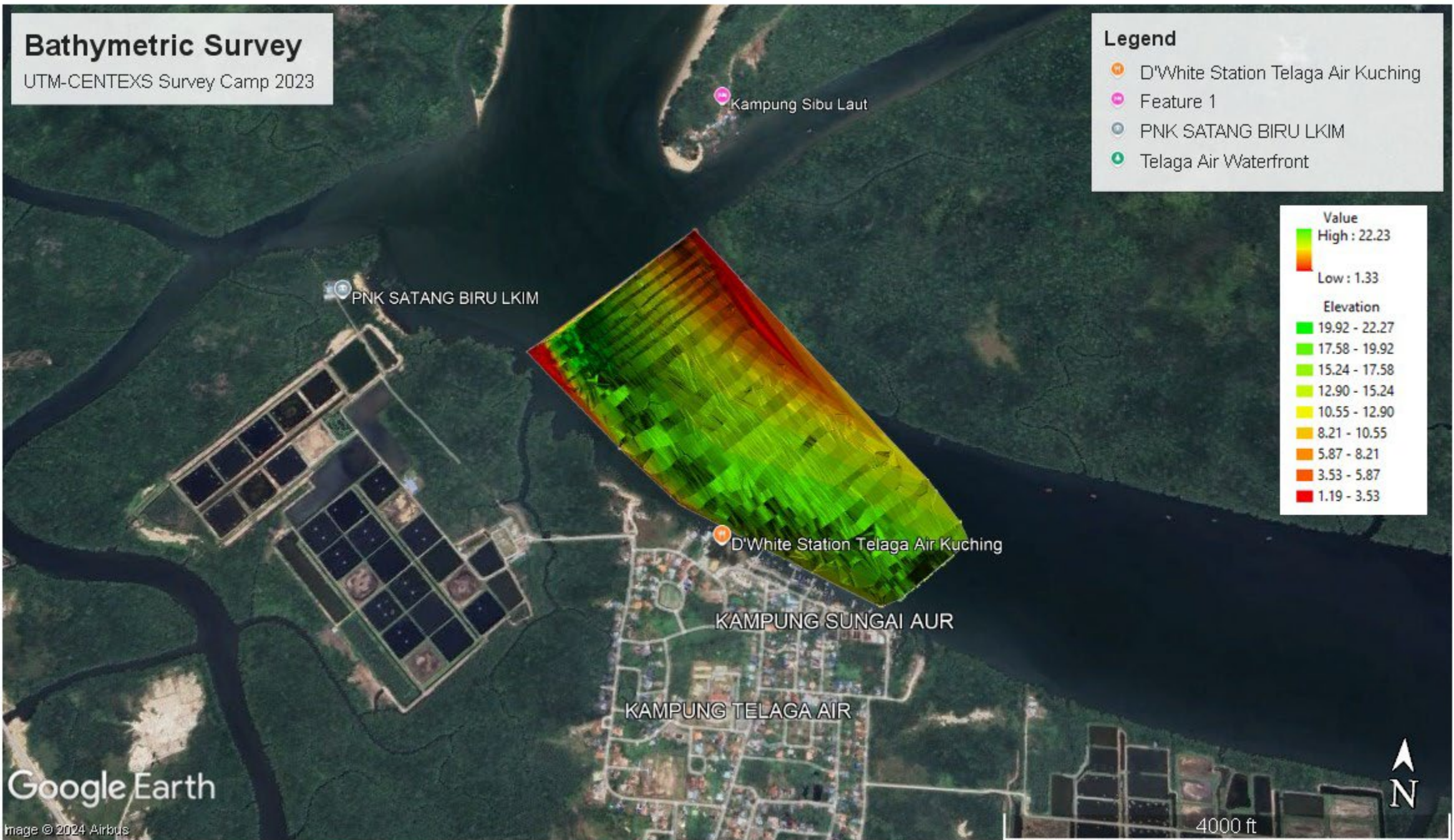


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4000 ft





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Telaga Air Waterfront

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Copy (2) of Cat-b-2010 - Final Survey - HYDRopro Navigation (Survey)

Project View Configure Survey Map Display Help

Plan View Map (Binning Mode : Newest) (Frame : Frame1)

Survey Info (Frame : Frame1)

Soils	Acquiring satellites
Used SVs	1
Ant Status	Not available
Lat	1°27'33.3212"N
Long	103°43'59.7366"E
East	637614.00 m
North	161370.75 m
GO Name	BX-3
Line Sng (Mag)	301.7°
PTHdg	0.0°
SOL Dist (Hortz)	18.41 m
EOL Dist (Hortz)	481.59 m
Time To SOL	-09.2s
SOG	Its

PG Marine 7

Fix (Frame : F...)

Active	Active
Current Be	Not available
Next Beat	D.00001
Interval	10.00 m

Offline Bar : PG Marine 7, Origin - BX-3 (Frame : Frame1)

0.00

Demo Echo Sounder (1) (Fra...)

25.66 m

0 m  
10 m  
20 m  
30 m  
40 m  
50 m

02m 00.0s 01m 20.0s 40.0s

For Help, press F1

11 Oct 10 02:14:47 pm

Start RUNLINES Microsoft PowerPoint - ... Microsoft Excel HYDRopro Copy (2) of Cat-b-20...

2:14 PM

PGMARINE1305102010A - Survey 1 - HYDRopro Navigation (Survey)

Project View Configure Survey Map Display Help

Plan View Map (Binning Mode : Newest) (Frame : Frame1)

Survey Info (Frame : Frame1)

Ant Status	
Soils	
Used SVs	
Lat	
Long	
North	m
East	m
GO Name	
Line Brg (Mag)	
PTHdg	
SOL Dist (Horz)	m
EOL Dist (Horz)	m
Time To SOL	
SOG	kt
HI	m

Fix (Frame : F...)

Active	
Current Bc	
Next Bc it	
Interval	m

Offline Bar : PG Marine 13, Origin - BX-3 (Frame : Frame1)

0.00

1000 100 10 10 100 1000

ODOM Echo Sounders Echo S...

No data

0 m  
10 m  
20 m  
30 m

02m 00.0s 01m 20.0s 40.0s

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Project View Configure Survey Map Display Help

Plan View Map (Binning Mode : Newest) (Frame : Frame1)

Survey Info (Frame : Frame1)

Soln	<b>Differential</b>
Used SVs	<b>10</b>
Fix Status	<b>3D solution</b>
Lat	<b>1°27'36.4031"N</b>
Long	<b>103°43'54.7833"E</b>
East	<b>637460.95 m</b>
North	<b>161465.47 m</b>
GO Name	<b>BX-3</b>
Line Brg (Mag)	<b>301.7°</b>
Pt Hdg	<b>0.0°</b>
SOL Dist (Horz)	<b>198.40 m</b>
EOL Dist (Horz)	<b>301.60 m</b>
Time To SOL	<b>-01m 39.2s</b>
SOG	<b>nk</b>

PG Marine 7

Fix (Frame : F...)

Active	<b>Active</b>
Current Bse	<b>D.00017</b>
Next Bse It	<b>D.00018</b>
Interval	<b>10.00 m</b>

Offline Bar : PG Marine 7, Origin - BX-3 (Frame : Frame1)

0.00

Demo Echo Sounder (1) (Fra...)

25.64 m

0m  
10m  
20m  
30m  
40m  
50m

02m 00.0s 01m 20.0s 40.0s

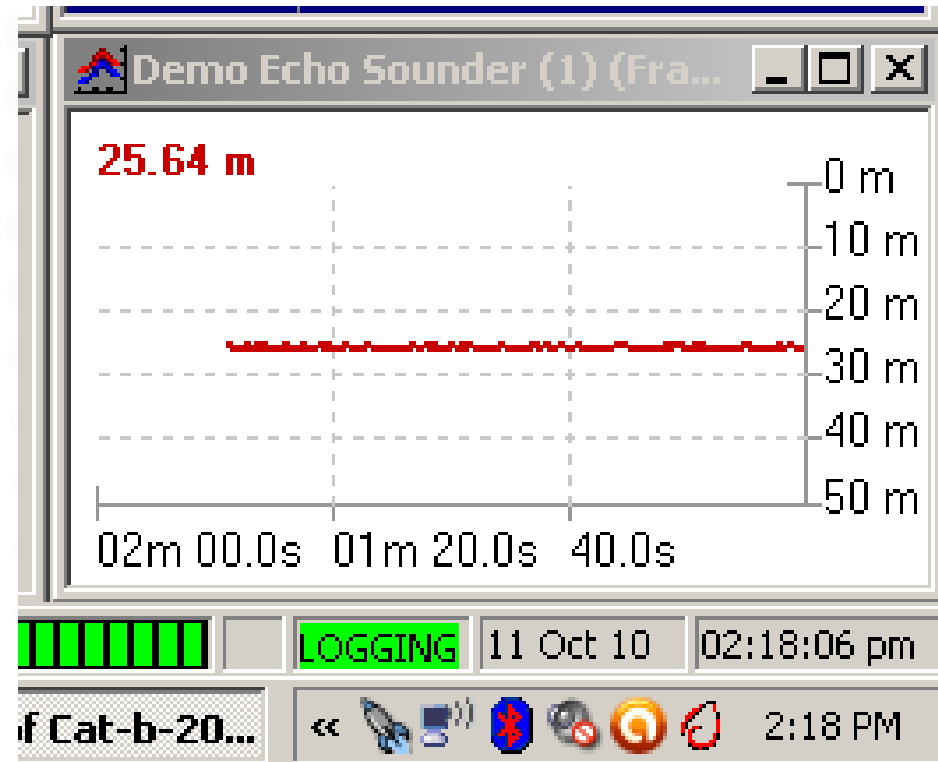
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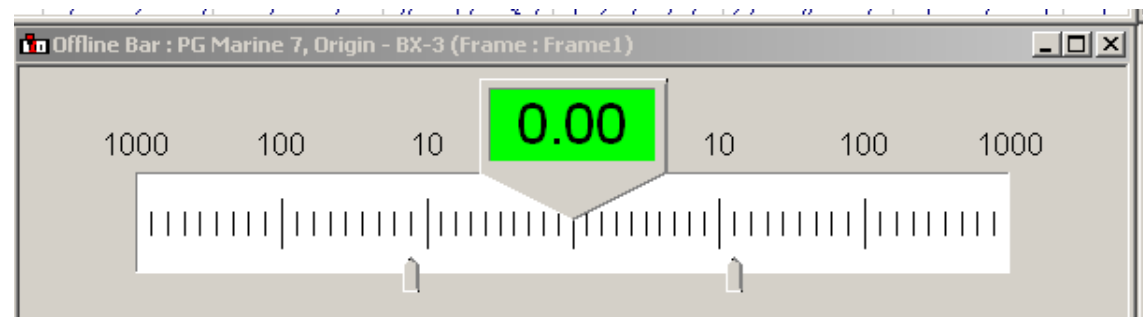
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Survey Info (Frame : Frame1)	
Solr	<b>Differential</b>
Used SVs	<b>10</b>
Aix Status	<b>3D solution</b>
Lat	<b>1°27'36.4031"N</b>
Long	<b>103°43'54.7833"E</b>
East	<b>637460.95 m</b>
North	<b>161465.47 m</b>
GO Name	<b>BX-3</b>
Live Brg (Mag)	<b>301.7°</b>
Pt Hdg	<b>0.0°</b>
SOL Dist (Horiz)	<b>198.40 m</b>
EOL Dist (Horiz)	<b>301.60 m</b>
Time To SOL	<b>-01m 39.2s</b>
SOG	kt

Port Starboard Indicator



Echo Sounder Digital trace



# Data Cleaning, Processing & Thinning

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## Data Cleaning

Data cleaning of Multibeam bathymetric datasets is a critical issue. Detailed inspection must be carry out to remove the outliers soundings.

## Data Interface and Processing

All observations are combined (merged) to produce geo-referenced depths. Tide, draft and other vessel offsets are applied during the merging process.



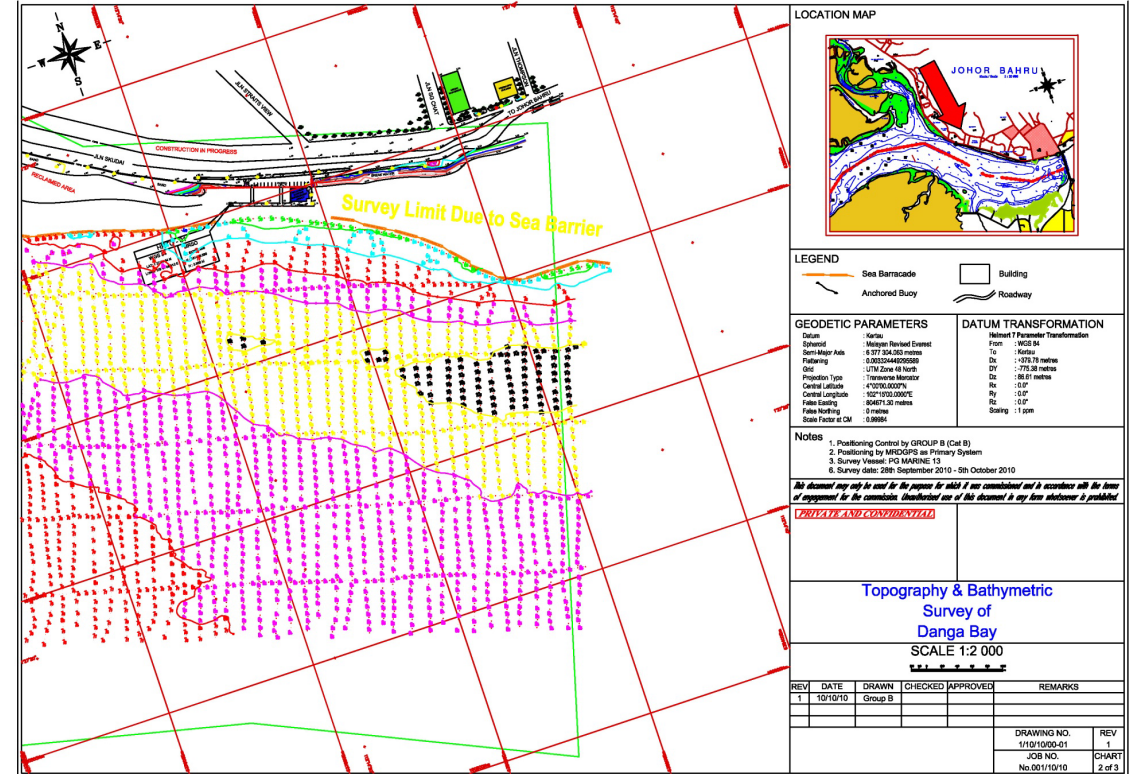
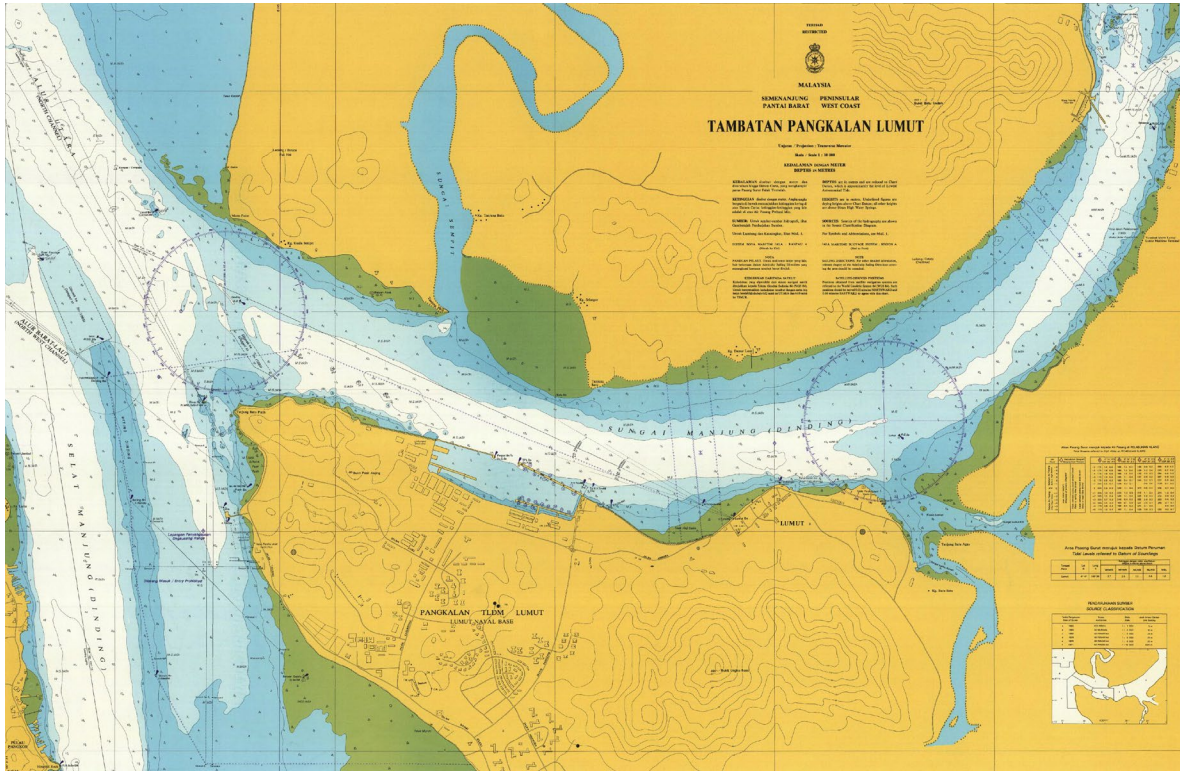
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## Data Thinning

A process to reduce the size, to eliminate over sampled or redundancy of MBES data.



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## SUMMARY



❑ Accurate and complete recording of the shape and nature of the seafloor is the central theme of hydrography.



❑ Although there are a variety of mechanical, electromagnetic and inspection methods which can be used in special circumstances, the workhorse of hydrography is the acoustic echo sounder



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