

CO-OPS Coastal Water Level Stations Requirements for Documentation and Deliverables



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FOREWORD

The Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) provides the national infrastructure, science, and technical expertise to collect and distribute observations and predictions of water levels and currents to ensure safe, efficient, and environmentally sound maritime commerce. CO-OPS provides the set of water level and tidal current products required to support NOAA and to assist in providing operational oceanographic data and products required by other groups and Strategic Plans within NOAA.

Data submission requirements for CO-OPS water level observing stations are comprised of the observed water level data and the supporting metadata and documents for station installation, site visits for scheduled and unscheduled maintenance, and station removal. Observed water level data are formatted such that the CO-OPS can ingest the data observing system. This manual outlines data and metadata documentation submission requirements (i.e., 'deliverables') and gives examples of each, to assist field personnel when submitting to CO-OPS. The content in this manual was derived from the [CO-OPS Specifications and Deliverables for Installation, Operation, and Removal of Water Level Stations \(Station Documentation; Section 5.3\)](#). These required data submissions should be submitted in digital format only.



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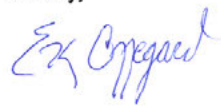
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1.0 Transmittal Letter

The transmittal letter gives general information about the installation, maintenance, and repair of particular water level observing station. It briefly details what has been included in the station documentation package (e.g., new work orders), dates of when any actions were taken, and the parties involved (e.g., CO-OPS and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers). The transmittal letter also provides notifications of where any copies of these updates to the station documentation have been sent.

Example of an external transmittal letter:

	<p style="text-align: center;">JOA Surveys, LLC SURVEYING GPS TIDES HYDROGRAPHY</p>	<p>2000 E. Dowling Road, Suite 10 Anchorage, AK 99507 (907) 561-0134 Phone (907) 561-0143 Fax www.joasurveys.com</p>
<p>July 3, 2016</p>		
<p>OET Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services (CO-OPS) 1305 East-West Highway Silver Spring, MD20910-3281 Email: nos.coops.oetteam@noaa.gov</p>		
<p>Re: 946-2620 Unalaska, AK NWLON Annual Inspection</p>		
<p>The Unalaska, AK NWLON Annual Inspection was completed 5/23 - 5/27/2016. The following items are included in this submission:</p>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Transmittal Letter<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Site Report<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sensor Test Worksheet<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sensor Elevation Drawing<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bench Mark Sketch (not revised)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bench Mark Descriptions<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Photos<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level records<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> To Reach Statement (not revised)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Level Abstract<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Datum Offset Computation Worksheet<input type="checkbox"/> Other Information (MWWL Recon)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Water Level Data Download (setup files, screen captures)<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPS Deliverables<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Completed Station Inspection Checklist		
<p>This digital report is available in one zip file on the JOA FTP site. Please use FTP client software such as CuteFTP, Filezilla, FireFTP for Firefox, etc to download these reports. Internet Explorer may have problems connecting to this FTP site. The FTP login information follows:</p>		
<p>Host: XXXXXXXXXX</p>		
<p>Username: XXXXXXXXXX</p>		
<p>Password: XXXXXXXXXX</p>		
<p>Sincerely,</p>		
		
<p>_____ Erik Oppegard erik@joasurveys.com</p>		

2.0 eSite Report

The eSite report is a web-based interface through which station and instrumentation metadata for water level and meteorological observing systems can be entered, submitted, verified and recorded. Through the CO-OPS Application Access Management (AAM) tool, CO-OPS employees and contractors can be granted access to the eSite report interface, so that field maintenance metadata is submitted to CO-OPS in a standardized manner. eSite reports are documents specifying updated information describing the site, local contacts and site specific logistical considerations, as well as sensor, equipment, infrastructure and bench mark metadata. Users are able to modify the metadata describing parts and accessories, remove parts and accessories, or add new or undocumented parts and accessories. These reports can also include event-driven information such as dive inspections, GPS observations, and sensor and bench mark leveling.

Example of an eSite Report:

Facility Information			
Facility Name:	Naval Station Dahlgren		
Site Address:	500 Sampson Rd		
Site Address:			
Site City:	Dahlgren		
Site State:	VA		
Site Zip:	22448		

Owner Information			
Owner Name:	<input type="text"/>	Work Phone:	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>	Cell Phone:	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>	Home Phone:	<input type="text"/>
City:	<input type="text"/>	Fax:	<input type="text"/>
State:	<input type="text"/>	Owner Hours:	<input type="text"/>
Zip:	<input type="text"/>	E-mail:	<input type="text"/>
Owner Contact:	<input type="text"/>	Owner Since:	<input type="text"/>
Owner Comment:	<input type="text"/>		

Local Contact Information			
Local Contact:	<input type="text"/>	Work Phone:	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>	Cell Phone:	<input type="text"/>
Address:	<input type="text"/>	Home Phone:	<input type="text"/>
City:	<input type="text"/>	Fax:	<input type="text"/>
State:	<input type="text"/>	Date Last Trained:	<input type="text"/>
Zip:	<input type="text"/>	E-mail:	<input type="text"/>
Local Contact Comments:	<input type="text"/>		
Location Comments:	<input type="text"/>		

Project

Project Instructions:

8635027 Dahlgren, Naval Proving Ground, VA L28198 Part 3
PBM: TBD PBM above SD: Undecided
GPS Bench Mark: TBD MSL above SD: TBD
GPS Observation Frequency: Every 5 years Last GPS Observation Performed: Unknown
Dive Inspection Frequency: Every year

1. Install the new NWLON station with an approved MWL sensor; if any structural modifications are required, seek engineering support and Field Engineering Review Subcommittee (FERS) approval. This station is to be installed to replace the destroyed Colonial Beach NWLON station.

Project Instruction Requirements Complete FY 2015:

1. MWL Installation and complete MET.

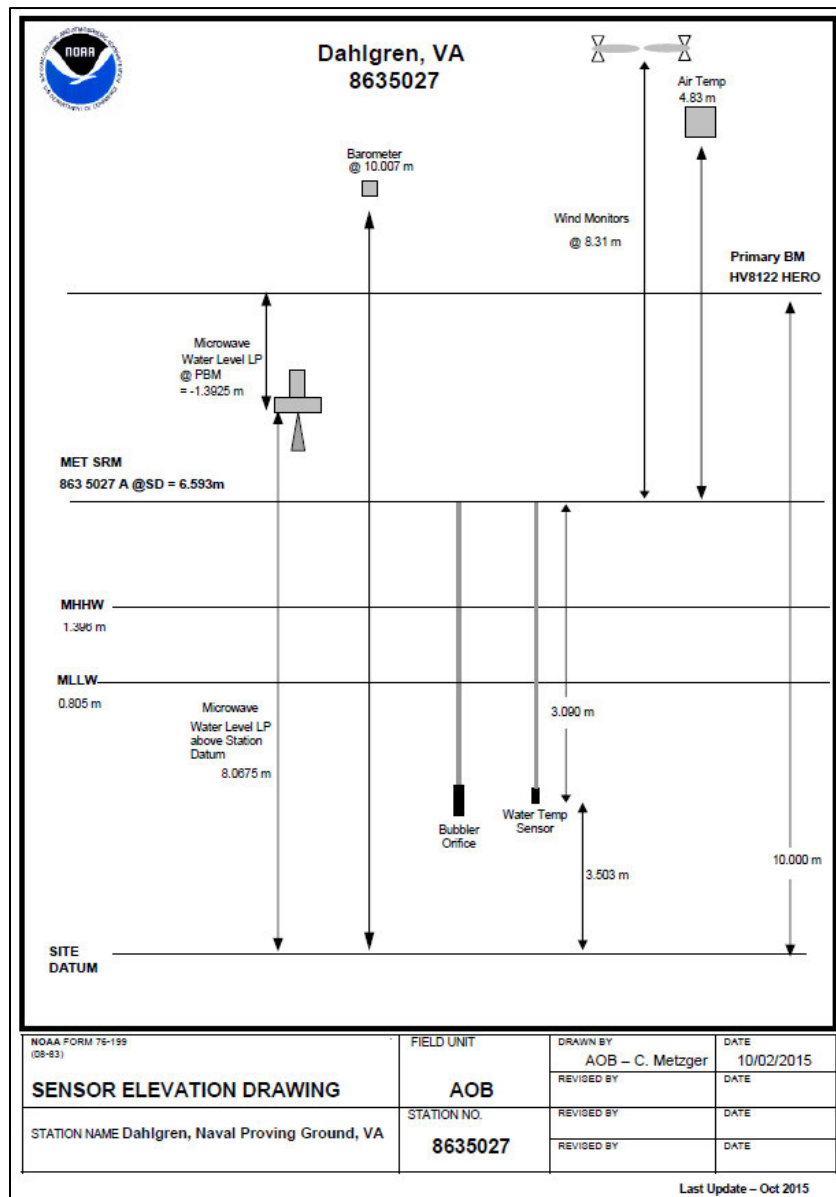
Future Work:

1. Submit photos of bench mark 863 5027 A.
2. Submit face and setting photos of bench mark 863 5027 B.
3. From the 10 marks in the network, there is only 1 class B or higher mark. Set more class B or higher marks.
4. Update the lat/long for TIDAL 2 and U 460. The coordinates in windesc indicate both BM's are in the same spot.

4.0 Sensor Elevation Drawing

The sensor elevation drawing is a diagram of the sensor heights for all water level, meteorological and ancillary sensors that are incorporated at each water level observing station. The diagram specifies the station datum, along with the Mean Lower Low Water (MLLW) and the Mean Higher High Water (MHHW), if known. Additionally, the diagram shows an elevational comparison between the sensors, datums, and primary bench mark in a profile view. If new stations, show sensor elevations on station datum only; once the tidal datums are determined, the diagram should be updated with the datum information. This document is to be updated when new sensors are installed / relocated and/or when the accepted datum offset has been updated.

Example of a sensor elevation drawing:

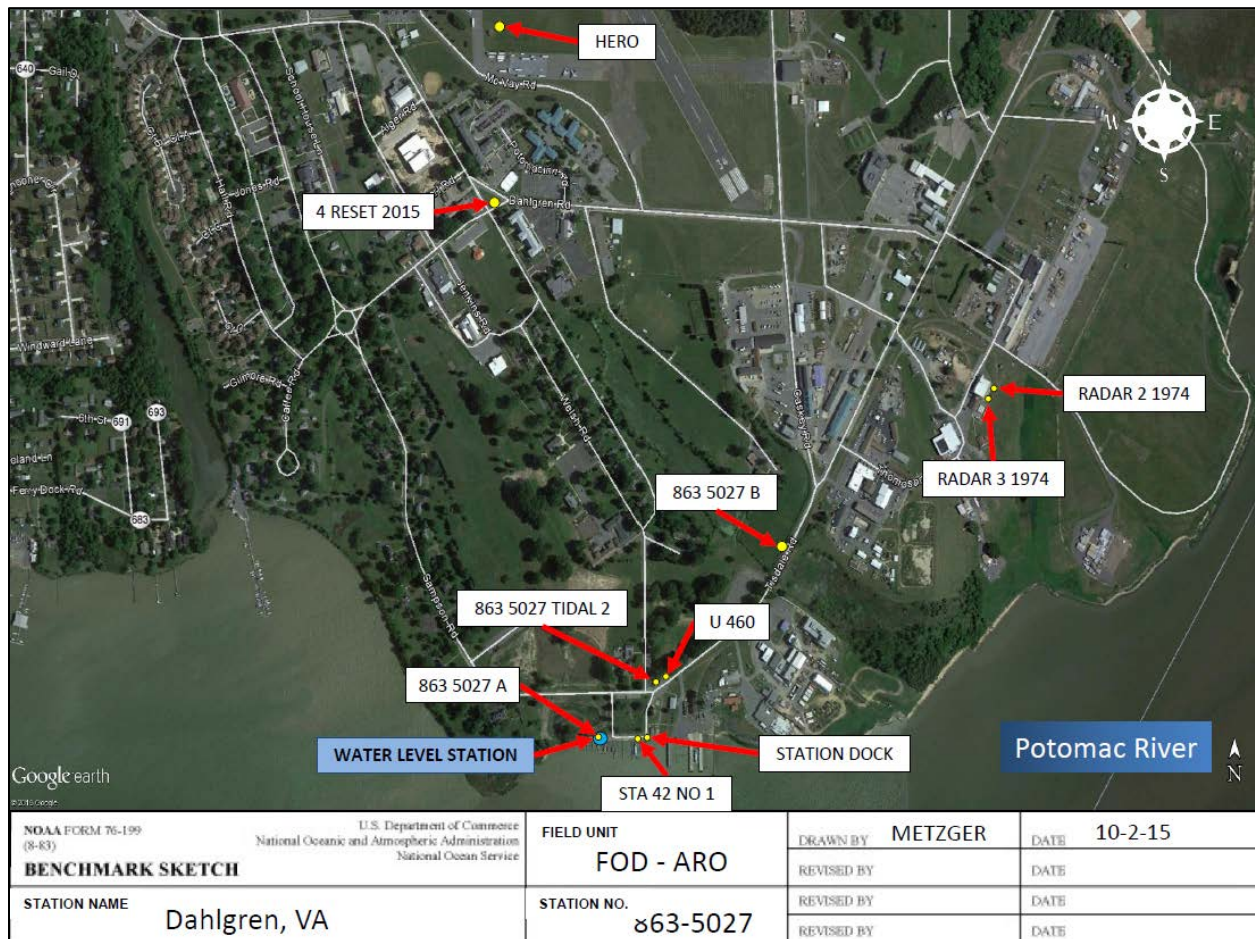


5.0 Bench Mark Diagram

The bench mark diagram should reveal the relative location of the water level sensor(s), tide staff (if any), the body of water being observed, bench marks, and major reference objects found in the bench mark descriptions. There should also be a compass included in the diagram, as well as a title block. The title block should contain these items (below), if applicable:

- Station name / number
- NOAA chart number
- USGS Quad name
- Field unit
- Date created
- Author / illustrator
- Latitude and longitude (obtained from hand-held GPS receiver) of the gauge

Example of a bench mark diagram:



6.0 Bench Mark Descriptions

Bench mark descriptions are integral in recovering individual bench marks. The bench mark descriptive text should provide clear, concise, and accurate instructions on how to recover a bench mark using easily identified objects located within a reasonable distance from the bench mark. The assumption is made that the user is not familiar with the surroundings. *CO-OPS User Guide for Writing Bench Mark Descriptions* can be found at <http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/fieldlibrary/ViewLibrary?q=Writing+bench+mark>.

Example of a bench mark description:

From the Post Office in (city), proceed north on Main Street for 3.4 km (2.1 mi), then go east on Columbia Boulevard for 0.8 km (0.5 mi) to the city harbor and Municipal Pier No. 11 North, the bench mark is a disk set in top of the concrete footing for a building on the east end of Municipal Pier No. 11 North (Marine Police and Fire Boat Pier), 14.57 m (47.8 ft) north of the south face of the pier, 9.81 m (32.2 ft) south of the north face of the pier, 6.49 m (21.3 ft) west of the east end of the pier, and 0.37 m (1.2 ft) south of the north end of a steel door opening.

From the intersection of US Highway 322 and Washington Avenue in (city), proceed east on Washington Avenue for 2.4 km (1.5 mi), then go north on Christopher Columbus Avenue for 0.3 km (0.2 mi), the primary bench mark is a disk located near the front lawn of the USCG Marine Safety Office property, 45.90 m (150.6 ft) NW of the flagpole at the entrance of the main building, 24.69 m (81.0 ft) south of the light pole on the east side of Christopher Columbus Avenue, 9.20 m (30.2 ft) NNE of the north curb of Washington Avenue, 8.41 m (27.6 ft) SE of the eastern curb of Christopher Columbus Avenue, and 8.14 m (26.7 ft) east of the traffic signal post at the NE corner of Washington and Christopher Columbus Avenues. The bench mark is set 18 cm (0.6 ft) below ground, crimped to a stainless steel rod driven 11.9 m (39 ft) to refusal, and encased in a 5-inch PVC pipe with concrete kickblock.

From the intersection of Baltimore Street and Moale Avenue in (city), proceed north on Baltimore Street for 1.4 km (0.9 mi), the bench mark is a flange-encased rod set 23.59 m (77.4 ft) SW of the center and at the end of Baltimore Street, 7.32 m (24.0 ft) SSW of the approximate centerline of Baltimore Street, 0.49 m (1.6 ft) NE of the SE corner of a 3.00 m x 3.00 m (9.8 ft x 9.8 ft) concrete pad that surrounds a drainage culvert, and 0.40 m (1.3 ft) NE of a 3-inch PVC witness post. The datum point is set 15 cm (0.5 ft) below the ground, being the top of a stainless steel rod driven 17.1 m (56 ft) to refusal, and encased in a 5-inch NGS logo cap.

7.0 Station 'To-Reach' Statement

The Station To-Reach statement provides easily followed directions on how to reach a water level station, the sensors and the associated bench marks. It is also used on the Published Bench Mark Sheet. These directions are written for the user who is unfamiliar with the area. Thus, the Station To-Reach statement should start from a readily found prominent landmark, use the mode of transportation most common to the area, and guide the user to the station via the most direct and major route.

Example of a Station To-Reach statement:

To reach the tidal bench marks from the U.S. Post Office on Main Street, proceed north on Main Street for 1.3 km (0.8 mi) to the intersection with Second Avenue, then west on Second Avenue for 3.2 km (2.0 mi) to its termination with Harbor Road, then SW on Harbor Road for 5.6 km (3.5 mi) to the small boat harbor and fishing pier. The bench marks are along Harbor Road and the waterfront area. The tide gauge and staff were located 4.51 m (14.8 ft) south of the offshore end of the wharf.

8.0 Digital Photographs

Digital photographs are useful for station (bench mark) reconnaissance, bench mark recovery, bench mark and sensor stability assessment. Digital photographs of each bench mark disk should include close-up, eye level, and at least two different direction horizontal views. There should also be digital photographs of the station, DCP, equipment, underwater components, and the general vicinity. Photographs must follow the naming convention documented in the Standing Project Instructions or CO-OPS Specifications and Deliverables document. All digital photographs should be submitted in JPEG format.

Example of digital photographs:



9.0 Precise Leveling Abstract

An abstract of precise leveling should be submitted for each second order, class I or third order level run. The abstract shall show the separate results of each run over each section (including rejected sections), the mean difference, the divergence, the length of the section, the designation of each section, the cumulative divergence and distance of each bench mark from the primary sensor, staff and / or electronic tape gauge, and the total distance (all spurs) of levels run. Rejected runs are designated by an R placed beside the rejected number.

Example of a precise leveling abstract:

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TRANSLEV Version 4.17.00          Tue Feb 10 17:16:43 2015

                                --* FIELD ABSTRACT *--
150110-150110          L28053/2          6.0 MM ORDER 2 CLASS 1          PAGE 1
2015 LEVELING TO TIDE STATIONS IN LOUISIANA 876 0922 PILOT STATION EAST

SSN  PID  MARK DESIGNATION          STARTING START  START  DIST  ELEV DIFF  -(F+B)  FIELD ELEV  PUB ELEV  I S L
      DATE  TIME  TEMP  (KM)  (METERS)  CODE  (MM)  (METERS)  (METERS)

0211          876 0922 F          -----
0211          876 0922 F          20150110 13:00 F 10.1 0.113  0.49005 *  -0.36  0.48987  1 S 1
0219          876 0922 J          20150110 15:02 B 10.1 0.113 -0.48969 *  -0.36  10.68787  1 S 1
      0.113
0219          876 0922 J          20150110 13:45 F 10.1 0.030 -0.49603 *  -1.26 -0.49666  1 S 1
0217          876 0922 G          20150110 14:22 B 10.1 0.030  0.49729 *  -1.62  10.19121  1 S 1
      0.143
0211          876 0922 F          20150110 12:10 B 10.1 0.037  0.01145 *  0.18 -0.01154  1 M
0218          876 0922 H          20150110 12:25 F 10.1 0.037 -0.01163 *  0.18  10.18646  1 M
      0.037
0218          876 0922 H          20150110 10:22 B 10.1 0.097  0.16369 *  1.23 -0.16431  1 M
0205          TBM BOLT          20150110 10:55 F 10.1 0.096 -0.16492 *  1.41  10.02215  1 M
      0.133
0205          TBM BOLT          20150110 09:32 B 10.1 0.055 -2.96482 *  -0.13  2.96489  1 M
0213          876 0922 B          20150110 09:58 F 10.1 0.055  2.96495 *  1.28  12.98704  1 M
      0.188
0213          876 0922 B          20150110 09:21 B 10.1 0.029 -0.07300 *  1.35  0.07233  1 M
0212          876 0922 A          20150110 10:15 F 10.1 0.029  0.07165 *  2.63  13.05936  1 M
      0.217
0212          876 0922 A          20150110 09:10 B 10.1 0.011 -0.43562 *  -0.05  0.43565  1 M
0208          TBM 876 0922 AQUATRAK 20150110 09:15 F 10.1 0.011  0.43567 *  2.58  13.49501  1 M
      0.228

                                ELEVATION REJECTION AND ERROR CODES

* - The section elevation difference does not include rod corrections.

INSTRUMENT/RODSET  INSTRUMENT          RODS
1                243 - 337624          396 - 24050          396 - 25946

The shortest path between starting and ending points is:
0211 0218 0205 0213 0212 0208

The shortest distance between starting and ending points is:
0.228 km.

                                SEGMENT(S) & RUNNING ORDER

                                --- Survey point numbers ---

0211 0219 0217          length S L
0211 0218 0205 0213 0212 0208          0.143 S 1
                                          0.228 M

FROM  TO          N. LATITUDE  W. LONGITUDE  FIELD DISTANCE VS. COMPUTED
0211 0219          285557          0892420          0.11          0.04
0219 0217          285556          0892419          0.03          0.04
0211 0218          285555          0892422          0.04          0.04
0218 0205          285555          0892423          0.10          0.03
0205 0213          285556          0892425          0.06          0.06
0213 0212          285557          0892426          0.03          0.04
0212 0208          285556          0892426          0.01          0.03

* - The observed vs. computed difference exceeds 200 meters

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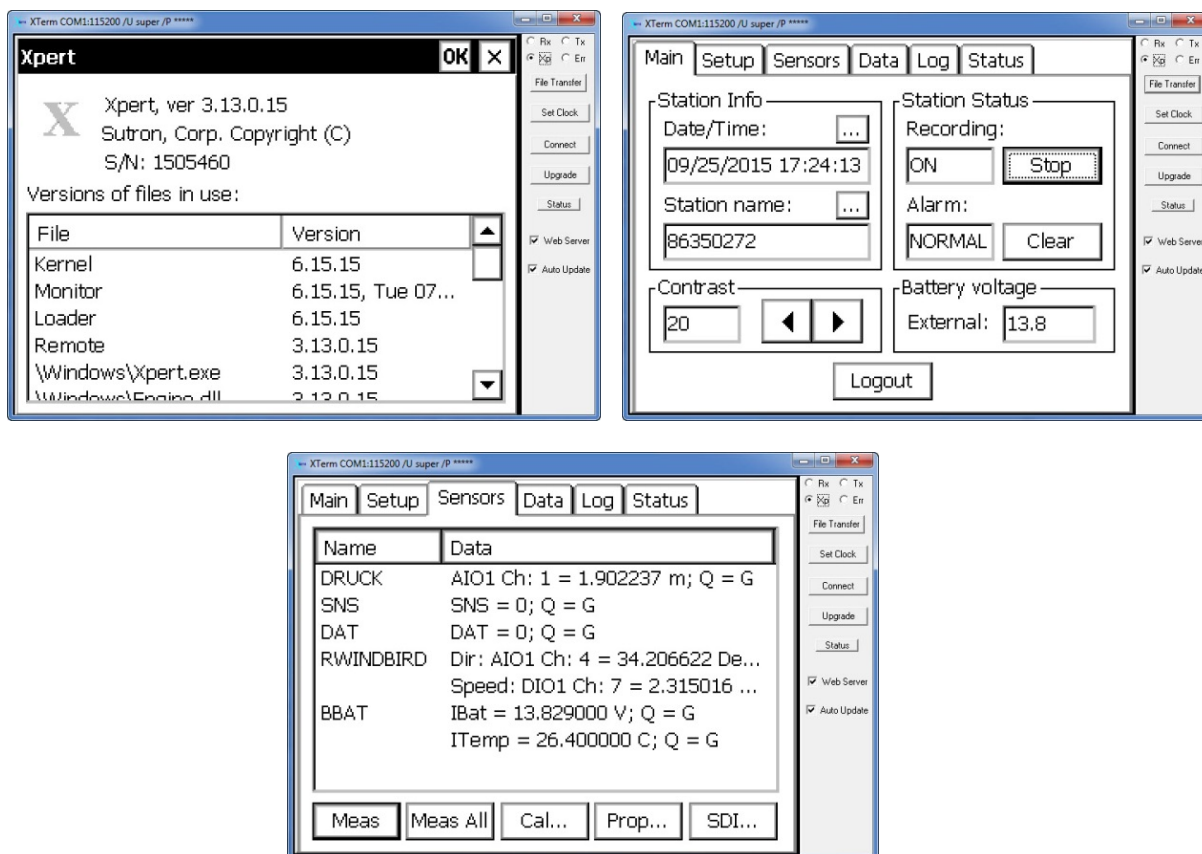
10.0 Datum Offset Computation Worksheet

The leveling connection to the water level sensors should occur at the sensor leveling point (e.g., top of the geodetic collar on a microwave radar sensor). The sensor leveling point is included in the leveling to derive the sensors' elevation relative to the station datum. The derived sensor elevation is applied to the observed water level data to calculate the water level data on station datum. The elevation of the water level sensor is measured via leveling annually, and if the sensor leveling point elevation is greater than the old sensor leveling point elevation, the difference is positive and a constant need to be added to the water level data. If the new sensor leveling point elevation is less than the old sensor leveling point elevation, the difference is negative and a constant needs to be subtracted from the water level data. Changes to the offset only occur when the new elevation is $\pm 6\text{mm}$ from the previous stored value.

11.0 Format for Downloaded Data

There are two methods to properly download data from the Sutron Xpert dataloggers. The first method requires the use of the Xterm Graphical User Interface Screen Personal Computer terminal program, and the other method can use any terminal program that can save a file such as ProComm. Using Xterm is the preferred downloading method.

Example of Xterm GUI Screen for PC:



12.0 GPS Deliverables

GPS Deliverables include attaching the Online Positioning User Service (OPUS) published datasheet and the shared solution datasheet and four photographs of the bench mark. The shared solution datasheet details coordinates in UTM and SPC format, as well as information on the nearest published bench mark.

Example of a shared solution datasheet:

Shared Solution

PID: BBD566
Designation: 876 0922 J
Stamping: 0922 J 2015
Stability: Most reliable; expected to hold position well
Setting: Stainless steel rod in sleeve (10FT+ or 3.048M+)
Description: FROM THE VENICE, LA. MARINA PROCEED BY BOAT DOWN THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER APPROXIMATELY 28 MILES TO THE NEW PILOTS ASSOCIATION BUILDING IN THE MARSHY AREA JUST OFF THE PILOTS WOOD DOCK ON THE INSHORE END, 53.0 M EAST OF ROCKY JETTY, 25.9 M NORTHWEST OF BENCH MARK 876 0922 G, 11.6 M SOUTH FROM EDGE OF CREEK, 15 CM EAST OF THE WITNESS POST. THE DATUM POINT IS SET 75.0 CM ABOVE THE GROUND, BEING THE TOP OF A STAINLESS STEEL ROD DRIVEN 27.5 M TO REFUSAL, AND ENCASED IN A 6-INCH LOGO CAP.
Observed: 2015-01-11T12:34:00Z
Source: OPUS - page5 1209.04




Close-up View

REF_FRAME: NAD_83(2011)	EPOCH: 2010.0000	SOURCE: NAVD88 (Computed using GEOID12A)	UNITS: m	SET PROFILE	DETAILS
LAT: 28° 55' 56.69985" ± 0.004 m ELL HT: -22.102 ± 0.008 m X: 57969.265 ± 0.006 m Y: -5586145.741 ± 0.008 m Z: 3067336.926 ± 0.005 m ORTHO HT: 1.143 ± 0.018 m		UTM 16 SPC 1702(LA S) NORTHING: 3202880.074m 49515.089m EASTING: 265520.748m 1187983.045m CONVERGENCE: -1.16423217° 0.96396900° POINT SCALE: 1.00027853 1.00009812 COMBINED FACTOR: 1.00028200 1.00010159			

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Horizon View



The numerical values for this position solution have satisfied the quality control criteria of the National Geodetic Survey. The contributor has verified that the information submitted is accurate and complete.

13.0 Scheduled Maintenance Checklist

The scheduled maintenance checklist is applicable to all stations. CO-OPS water level observing stations require routine maintenance to ensure the equipment is working properly and is upheld to sustain high standards of efficiency. Routine Maintenance includes checking for leveling adjustments, examining tidal benchmarks, retrieving water level data, assessing the conditions of the equipment and sensors, and routinely replacing equipment that may be outdated.

The latest version of the Scheduled Maintenance Checklist was completed in October 2016, and can be found here:


<http://tidesandcurrents.noaa.gov/fieldlibrary/ViewLibrary?q=Scheduled+Maintenance+Checklist>

 Scheduled Maintenance Checklist for Water Level Stations 		REV 4.0 Aug/2016	
1. Pre-Inspection			
Station Name	<input type="text"/>	Station Number <input type="text"/>	
Field Party Chief	<input type="text"/>	Dates Inspected <input type="text"/>	
Field Party	<input type="text"/>		
To be Filled out by Field Party Chief			
PBM:	<input type="text"/>	GPS Bench Mark: <input type="text"/>	# of Class A/B Marks <input type="text"/>
PBM Elevation	<input type="text"/>	GPS Obs. Frequency <input type="text"/>	# of Class C Marks <input type="text"/>
Dive Frequency:	<input type="text"/>	Last GPS Obs <input type="text"/>	# of Class D Marks <input type="text"/>
Last Dive:	<input type="text"/>	Orthometric height <input type="text"/>	Total # of Bench Marks <input type="text"/>
	Accepted Dat from eSite <input type="text"/>		MET SRM height <input type="text"/>
To be Filled out in conjunction with CIL/SIL			
Latest XPERT Firmware Version :	<input type="text"/>	Check Phone Connection <input type="text"/>	GOES SS <input type="text"/>
Latest XPERT2 Firmware Version:	<input type="text"/>	Check IP Connection <input type="text"/>	IP SS <input type="text"/>
IP address	<input type="text"/>	Phone # <input type="text"/>	
Primary Lab POC	<input type="text"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> After Hours Support Anticipated	
<p><i>FOD: Copy & Paste Project Instructions from the Dynamic PIs and send to COET before pre-trip meeting</i> <i>COET: Add notes from pre-trip meeting in different color and send back to FOD Team.</i></p>			

14.0 Diving Documents

Diving documents may include anything ranging from a dive operations plan to a diving emergency assistance plan. These documents can outline the "who, when, where, what, and why" of a diving event or even general procedures and contacts for each unique diving location. Any photos and videos taken during the dive should also be submitted.

Example of diving documents:

NOAA Form 57-03-20 (7-14)		U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION				
DIVE OPERATIONS PLAN						
DIVE OPERATIONS						
DATE(S) of DIVE OPERATIONS	01/21/2015		DIVE OPS START TIME	10:00	DIVE OPS STOP TIME	12:00
LOCATION of DIVE OPERATIONS	Hilo, HI		DISTANCE FROM SHORE	10 yards	EVAC TIME to CHAMBER	2 hours
PLATFORM or FACILITY	Pier		DEPTH RANGE	0-30 ft	NUMBER of DIVERS	2
PLANNED NUMBER of DIVE EVOLUTIONS PER DAY	2	MAXIMUM NUMBER of DIVES to be LOGGED PER DAY	2	NUMBER of CONSECUTIVE DIVE DAYS		2
SAFE SHIP CHECKLIST REQUIRED	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DIVE MODE	OPEN CIRCUIT SCUBA <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> REBREATHER <input type="checkbox"/>	DIVE PURPOSE		SCIENTIFIC DIVE <input type="checkbox"/> WORKING DIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FLOAT PLAN REQUIRED	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DECOMPRESSION CALCULATION	DIVE COMPUTER <input type="checkbox"/> DECOMPRESSION TABLES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	DIVE DUTY		ON-DUTY DIVE <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OFF-DUTY DIVE w/SEP GEAR <input type="checkbox"/>
DIVERS (Attach additional sheets if more than 12 divers participate in the dive)						
DIVEMASTER	LEAD DIVER		DIVER			
Drew Maczko	Keith Brkich		Eric White			
DIVER	DIVER		DIVER			
DPIC/Tender: Clyde Kakazu						
DIVER	DIVER		DIVER			
DIVER	DIVER		DIVER			
DESCRIPTION						
PURPOSE of DIVES and TASKS to be PERFORMED						
Annual inspection and maintenance on tide gauge equipment: cleaning, inspection of well and brackets, help with measurements and leveling of orifice						
PRINCIPAL DIVER WORN EQUIPMENT and BREATHING MEDIA						
Thermal protection as needed (shorty to full wetsuit 2-5mm), SEP w/ Spare Air, Tethered/communications, SCUBA equipment						
TOOLS and SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT to be USED						
Scrapers, wrenches, socket with ratchet, hammer, steel measuring tape						
Tethered comms dive? YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>						
POTENTIAL HAZARDS and MITIGATIONS (Certain hazards are present on all dives (AGE, DCS, drowning, etc.). The hazards listed below are unique to this operation.)						
Barge operations, shipping area, low visibility, wave/surge action, aquatic animals, impact with pier/jetty, equipment malfunction, entanglement, diving-related medical emergencies, stinging hydroids. Mitigations- coordination with operators to avoid shipping operations, stand by rescue diver, protective clothing, no dive during hazardous waves or weather.						
PRIMARY MEANS of EVACUATION for EMERGENCIES						
Ground transportation by ambulance, evac to chamber by Life Flight or helicopter to Oahu						
AUTHORIZATION						
SUBMITTED BY (DIVEMASTER/LEAD DIVER)		SIGNATURE		DATE		
Diver: Eric White		WHITE.ERIC.A.1404675814		12/15/14		
APPROVED BY (UNIT DIVING SUPERVISOR/DESIGNEE)		SIGNATURE		DATE		
Mark Bailey				12/16/14		



DIVING EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PLAN

NOAA DIVING UNIT NOS/CO-OPS/FOD/POB	DIVE LOCATION Hilo, Hawaii	DATE 2015
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INSTRUCTIONS:

Complete a Diving Emergency Assistance Plan (DEAP) for each unique diving location and submit the plan to NDP.Diveplans@noaa.gov with the initial dive plan of each calendar year and every time any information on the DEAP changes.

GENERAL PROCEDURES:

- A. Evaluate the victim's Circulation, Airway, and Breathing (CABs). If necessary, begin cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) using a manually triggered ventilator (MTV) or bag-type oxygen resuscitator.
- B. If the victim is breathing, but unconscious, place the victim in the recovery position and administer oxygen using a non-rebreather type mask.
- C. If the victim is awake and alert, place the victim in a position of comfort and administer 100% oxygen using an MTV/demand oxygen resuscitator or non-rebreather type mask. If the victim is not nauseated, give clear non-alcoholic/non-caffeinated fluids to drink.
- D. If the victim's condition is life threatening or urgent, call the local Emergency Medical Services (EMS) or U. S. Coast Guard (USCG) for transport to the nearest medical treatment facility.
- E. If the victim's condition is not urgent, contact the NOAA Dive Medical Officer (DMO) for guidance. If unable to reach the NOAA DMO with 15 minutes, contact the Divers' Alert Network (DAN).
- F. Use the Dive Accident Management Field Reference Guide to document a neurological exam and dive history information.
- G. Gather additional information about the incident and prepare the victim for transport.
- H. Secure the diver's gear for inspection. **DO NOT DISASSEMBLE GEAR OR EXHAUST AIR FROM THE SYSTEM.** Close the cylinder valve **ONLY**. Count and record number of turns required to secure the valve.
- I. Call and speak to the NOAA DMO, (855) 822-DIVE (3483), to report the incident.
- J. Call the Line Office Diving Officer (LODO) to report incident. If unable to reach the LODO, call the Deputy LODO. Continue calling until positive contact is made. Speak to a person, don't just leave a message.

EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION CONTACTS:

Primary Shore Based Emergency Transportation	
NAME of TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER	EMS
POINT of CONTACT	Operator/911
PHONE NUMBER	

Secondary Shore Based Emergency Transportation	
NAME of TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER	EMS
POINT of CONTACT	
PHONE NUMBER	

At Sea Vessel Emergency Transportation	
NAME of TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER	USCG Honolulu, HI
POINT of CONTACT	Operator
PHONE NUMBER	(808)535-3333

At Sea Aviation Emergency Transportation	
NAME of TRANSPORTATION PROVIDER	USCG
POINT of CONTACT	Operator
PHONE NUMBER	(800)982-8813



15.0 Pertinent Documents (If Applicable)

These are the remaining documents that can be submitted for water level observing stations. One of the ensuing documents is required for water level observing stations within the Great Lakes region. The remaining subsequent documents are helpful as metadata, but are not a necessity for COET. Most of the information below pertains to leveling and/or surveying, as well as legal documents.

Non-essentials

- *Water level transfer form (for Great Lakes stations only)
- *Levels (electronic files) including leveling equipment information and field notes of precise leveling
- *Staff to gauge observations (Microsoft Excel format)
- *Calibration certificates for Invar leveling rods
- *Calibration records for sensors
- *Agreements, MOU, contract documents, utilities/pier agreements, etc.
- *Other information as appropriate, or as specified in the contract

