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Akutan Bay

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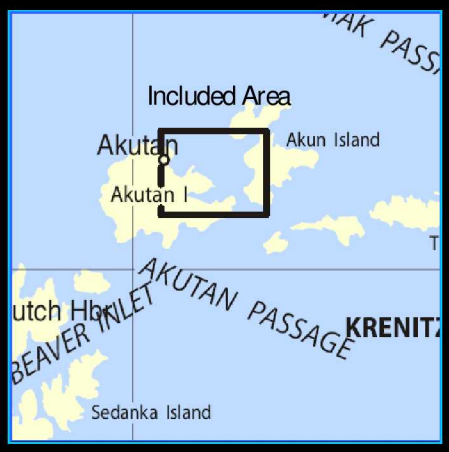

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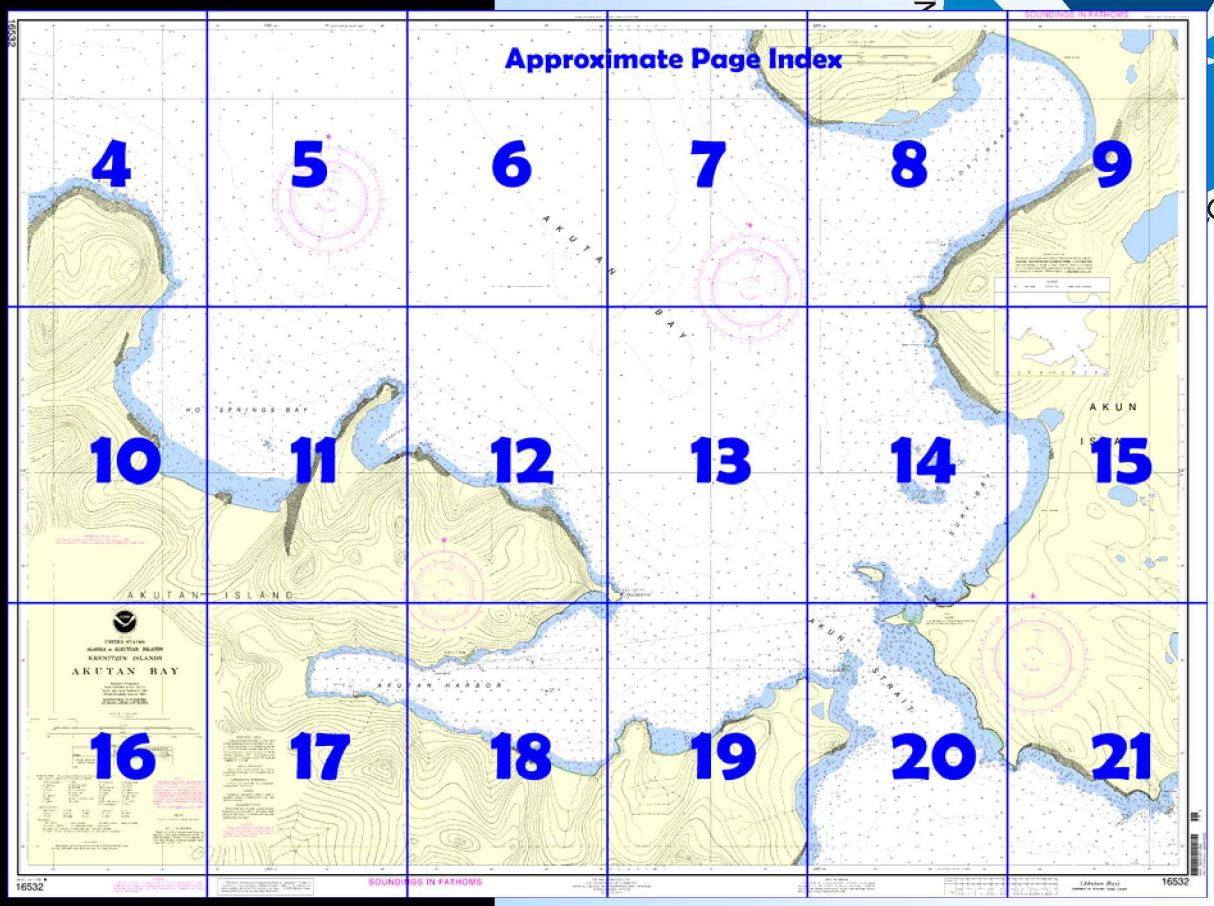

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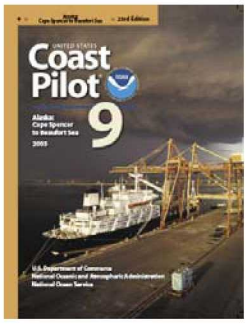

[Coast Pilot 9, Chapter 7 excerpts]

(129) **Akun Strait**, between Akun and Akutan Islands, is about 1 mile at its narrowest part, but the navigable channel is reduced to 400 yards by reefs that extend from the E shore and by Race Rocks on the W. Race Rocks, a flat rocky islet 25 feet high and some smaller bare rocks, are near the N end of the strait and 0.3 mile from its W shore. **Akun Strait Light** (54°07'55"N., 165°39'35"W.), 46 feet (14.0 m) above the water, is shown from a skeleton tower on Race Rocks.

(130) Shoal water and heavy kelp surround Race Rocks for a distance of about 250 yards; **Swirl Rock**, awash at half tide, is 250 yards N of the light and is conspicuous by the heavy overfall and swirls. The main channel is to the E and N of Race Rocks and Swirl Rock and has a least depth of 4½ fathoms. The channel to the W of Race Rocks has a least depth of 2 fathoms and is subject to currents which are just as strong as in the main channel.

(131) With NW winds in the summer, a bank of fog frequently streaks through Akun Strait, but under such circumstances, vessels navigating Avatanak Pass will usually sight the S shore of Akutan Island.

(132) Currents in Akun Strait attain an estimated velocity of 12 knots in the narrowest part, setting N with the flood. The slack period is very short. Tide rips, swirls, and overfalls occur, and with a N wind or swell are extremely heavy. By skirting the kelp off Race Rocks and passing within 100 yards to the N of Swirl Rock, local vessels are able to keep out of the strength of the current.

(133) **Green Bight**, indenting the SE shore of Akutan Island at the entrance to Akun Strait, offers temporary anchorage in 6 to 8 fathoms 0.4 mile from shore. It is convenient while waiting for slack water to pass through the strait.

(135) From this low point with an arch, 1.6 miles W from Jackass Point, the E shore of Akun Strait extends NW for about 2 miles to a point with a flat grassy islet, 80 feet high, close by. Shoal water marked by heavy kelp fringes this shore. A rounded rock, 10 feet high, is 650 yards NW from the arch. A group of rocks, bare at low water, are about 500 yards NW of the rounded rock and about the same distance off the E shore of the strait.

(136) The W end of the flat grassy islet can be approached to within 250 yards on the W, but shoal water marked by heavy kelp extends about 700 yards S. A flat islet, 200 feet high, is 0.4 mile N of the grassy islet; the passage between the two islets is obstructed and foul.

(137) **Akutan Bay** opens into the Bering Sea between Akun Head and North Head. This approach from the Bering Sea is used to reach Akutan Harbor and other arms of the bay. Akun Strait, previously described, connects Akutan Bay with Avatanak Strait and the Pacific, but it is comparatively shoal and contracted, and is not recommended.

(138) **Akutan Harbor** opens into Akutan Bay on the N side of the peninsula which juts into Akun Strait from Akutan Island; the preferred approach to the harbor is from N through Akutan Bay. The harbor is 4 miles long and from 0.5 to 1.8 miles wide. Except for crabpots, there are no known dangers over 300 yards from shore. From the head of the harbor, a trail leads inland to the hot springs.

(140) **Akutan** is on the N side of the harbor about 2 miles W from the E end of Akutan Point. Two wharves are at Akutan. A light, (54°07'55"N., 165°47'07"W.), is about 0.4 mile SW of Akutan. On the opposite side of the harbor 1 mile farther W is a former whaling station with a wharf in disrepair. A processing ship is permanently moored alongside the wharf; the vessel is fastened to mooring buoys near the wharf. A concrete piling, covered at high water, is just off the wharf; this wharf is not recommended for mooring. There is a post office in Akutan. Unscheduled seaplane flights to other areas are about 3 times a week.

(141) A recommended anchorage is about 300 yards off the village in 22 fathoms. Vessels can also anchor in the broad bight in the S shore in 15 fathoms, with the E end of Akutan Point bearing 018°. The bottom at both anchorages is very sticky. The harbor is well sheltered from all except E winds, but heavy williwaws are encountered during gales.

(142) A cannery (54°07'55"N., 165°47'12"W.), about 0.5 mile W of Akutan, has a dock with 500 feet on the S face and 200 feet on the E and W faces. Fuel, water, electricity, and limited marine supplies are available. The cannery monitors VHF-FM Channel 6.

(143) Pilotages, except for certain exempted vessels, is compulsory for all vessels navigating the waters of the State of Alaska.

(146) **Surf Bay**, on the Akun Island side of Akutan Bay and just N of Akun Strait, is an open bight exposed to the W and N. A group of rocky islets, the highest, 64 feet, is in the middle of the bay about 1 mile from shore. A group of rocks, awash at low water, is 0.3 mile N of the islets, and irregular bottom, with least depth of 2¼ fathoms, is found 0.3 mile NW of the rocks. The channel S of the islets is clear and anchorage can be found in 10 fathoms, 0.4 mile from shore, with good shelter in S and E weather. On the E side of Surf Bay is a sand beach about 1 mile long.

Table of Selected Chart Notes

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Heights in feet above Mean High Water.

Mercator Projection
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North American Datum of 1983
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NOTE B

CAUTION

Very strong currents and heavy tide rips are encountered in Akun Strait.

WARNING

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SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

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Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the U.S. Coast Guard.

SOURCE DIAGRAM

The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

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COLREGS, 80.1705 (see note A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.
The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

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Aids to Navigation (lights are white unless otherwise indicated):

AERO aeronautical	G green	Mo morse code	R TR radio tower
Al alternating	IQ interrupted quick	N nun	Rot rotating
B black	Iso isophase	OBSC obscured	s seconds
Bn beacon	LT HO lighthouse	Oc occulting	SEC sector
C can	M nautical mile	Or orange	St M statute miles
DIA diaphone	m minutes	Q quick	VQ very quick
F fixed	MICRO TR microwave tower	R red	W white
Fl flashing	Mkr marker	Ra Ref radar reflector	WHIS whistle
		R Bn radiobeacon	Y yellow

Bottom characteristics:

Blds boulders	Co coral	gy gray	Oys oysters	so soft
bk broken	G gravel	h hard	Rk rock	Sh shells
Cy clay	Grs grass	M mud	S sand	sy sticky

Miscellaneous:

AUTH authorized	Obstn obstruction	PD position doubtful	Subm submerged
ED existence doubtful	PA position approximate	Rep reported	

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TIDAL INFORMATION

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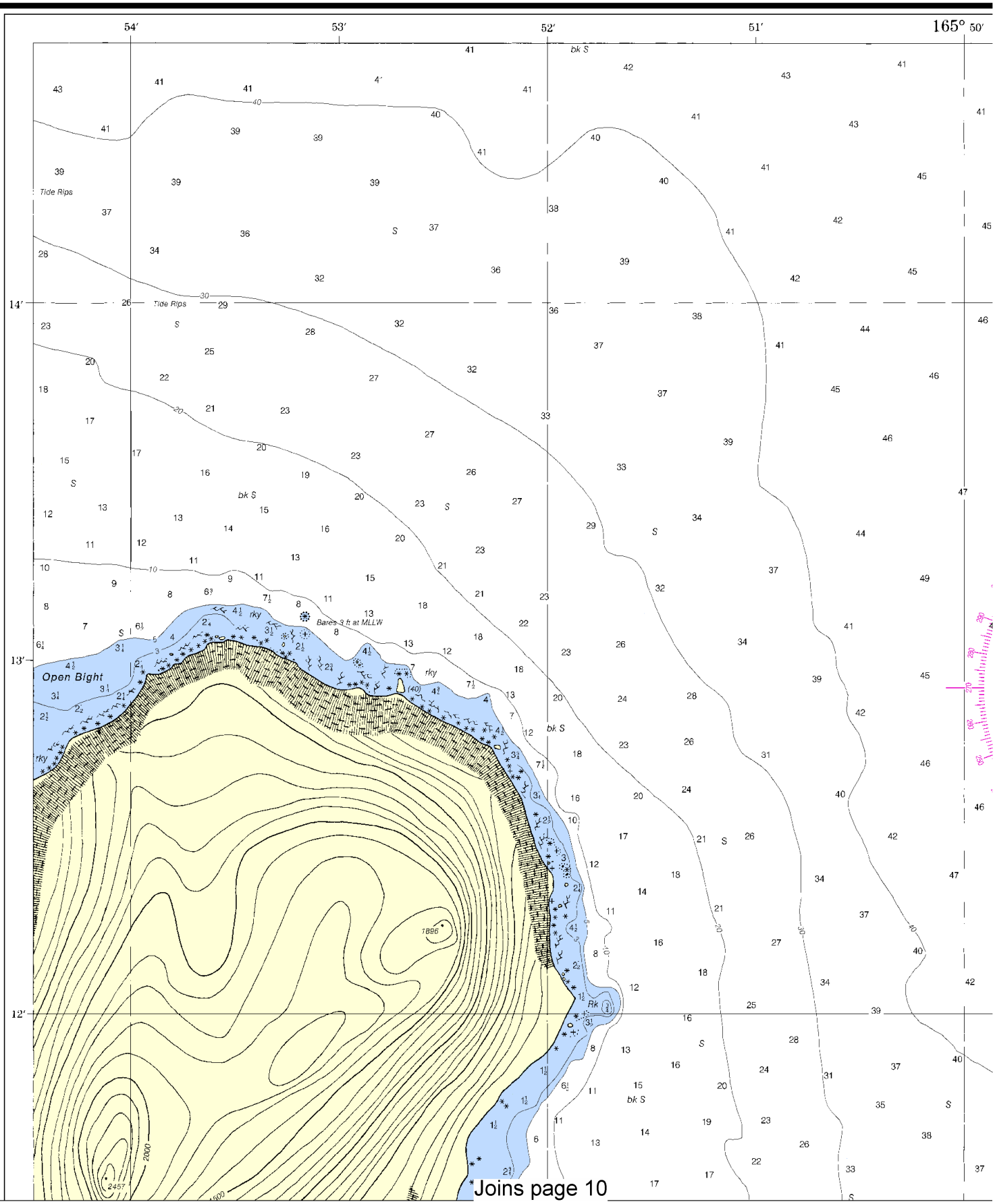

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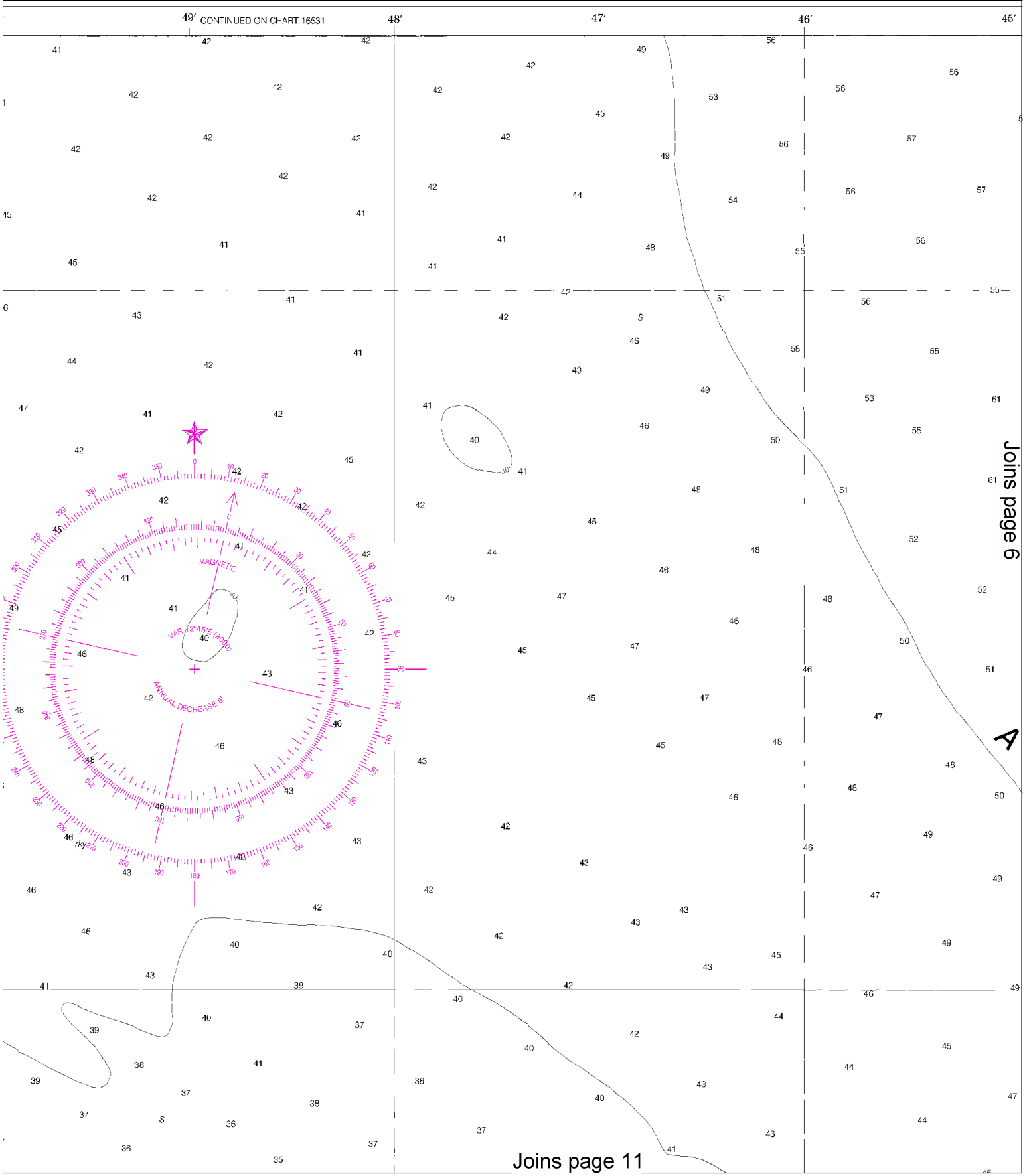

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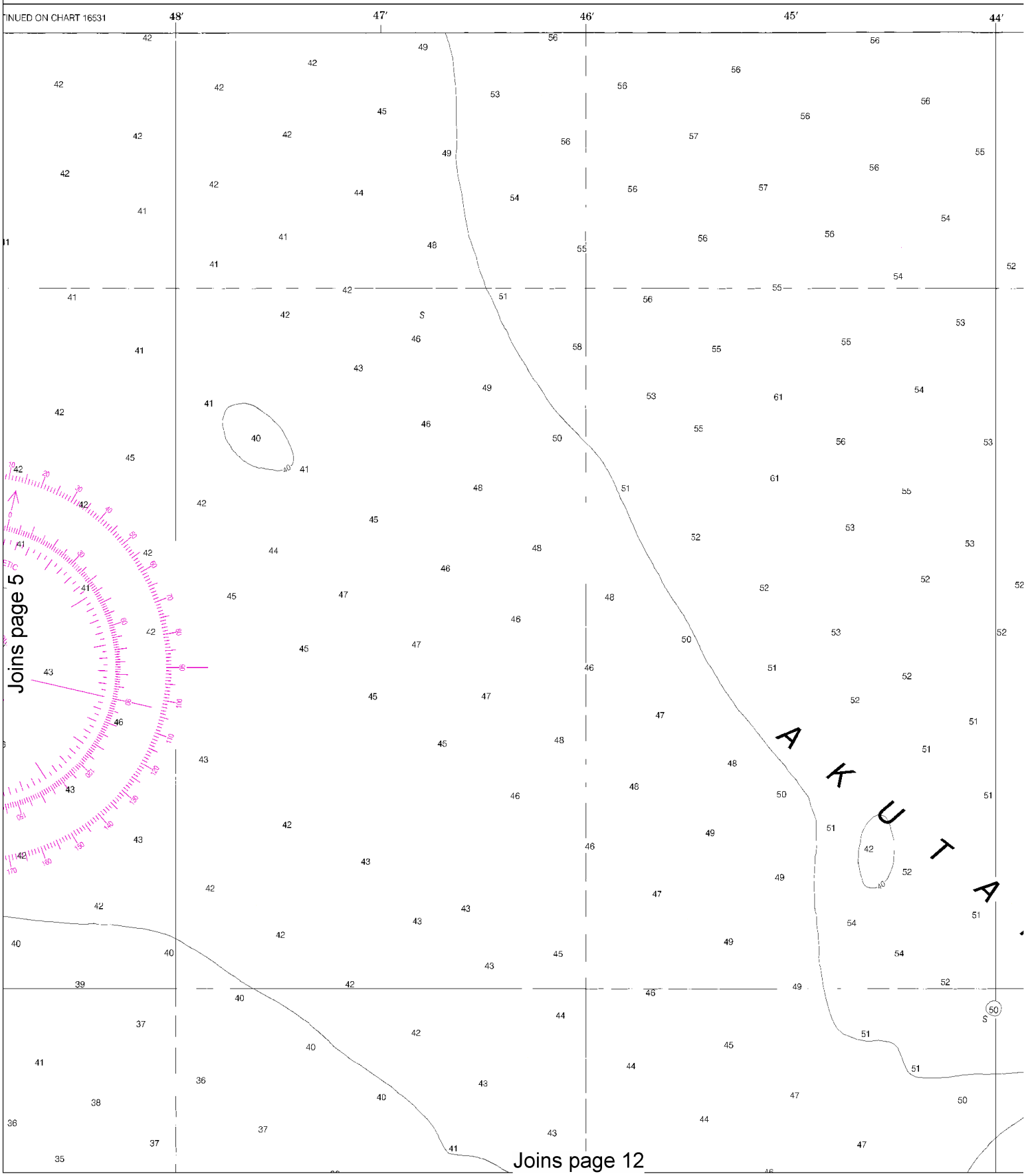

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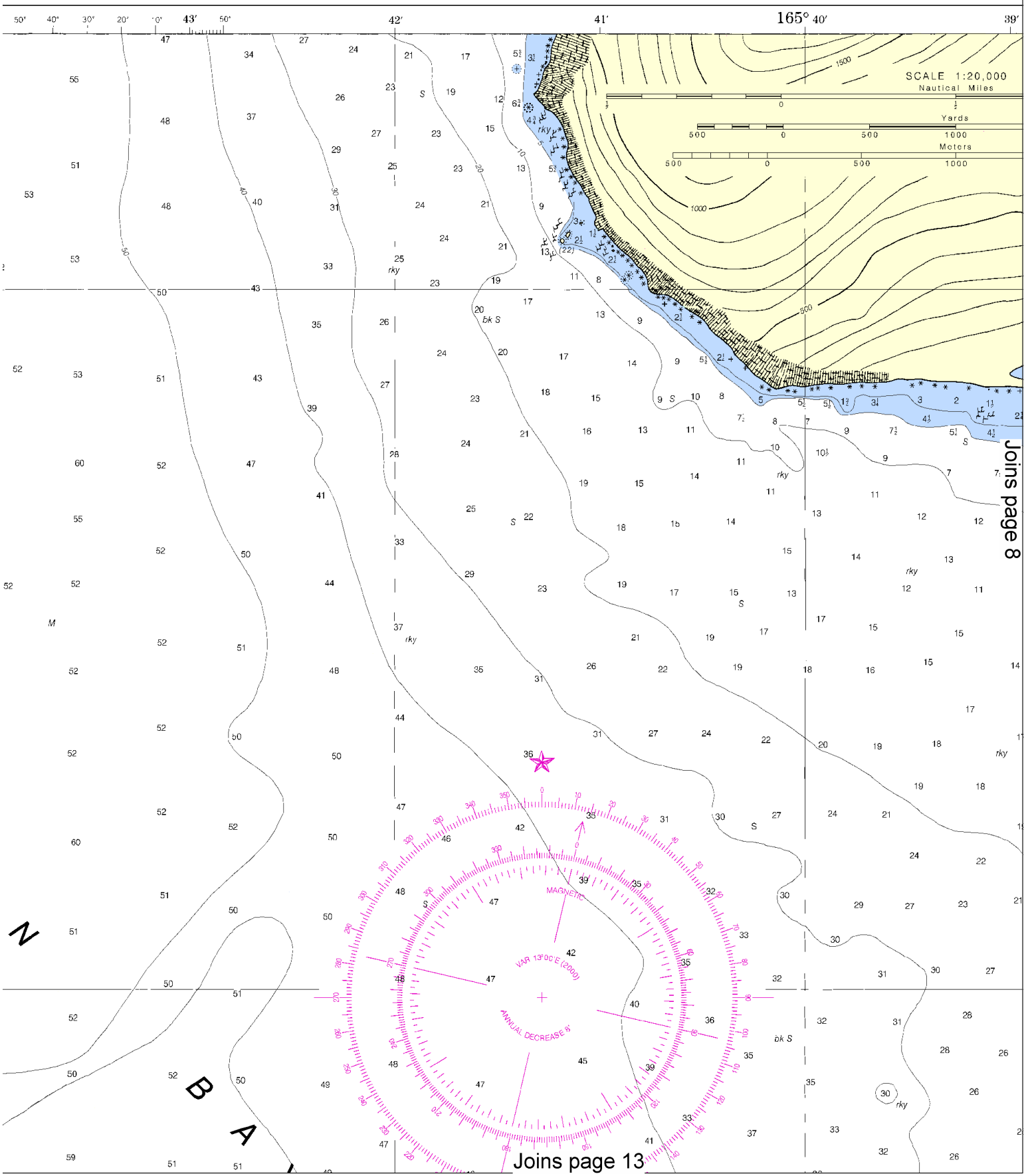

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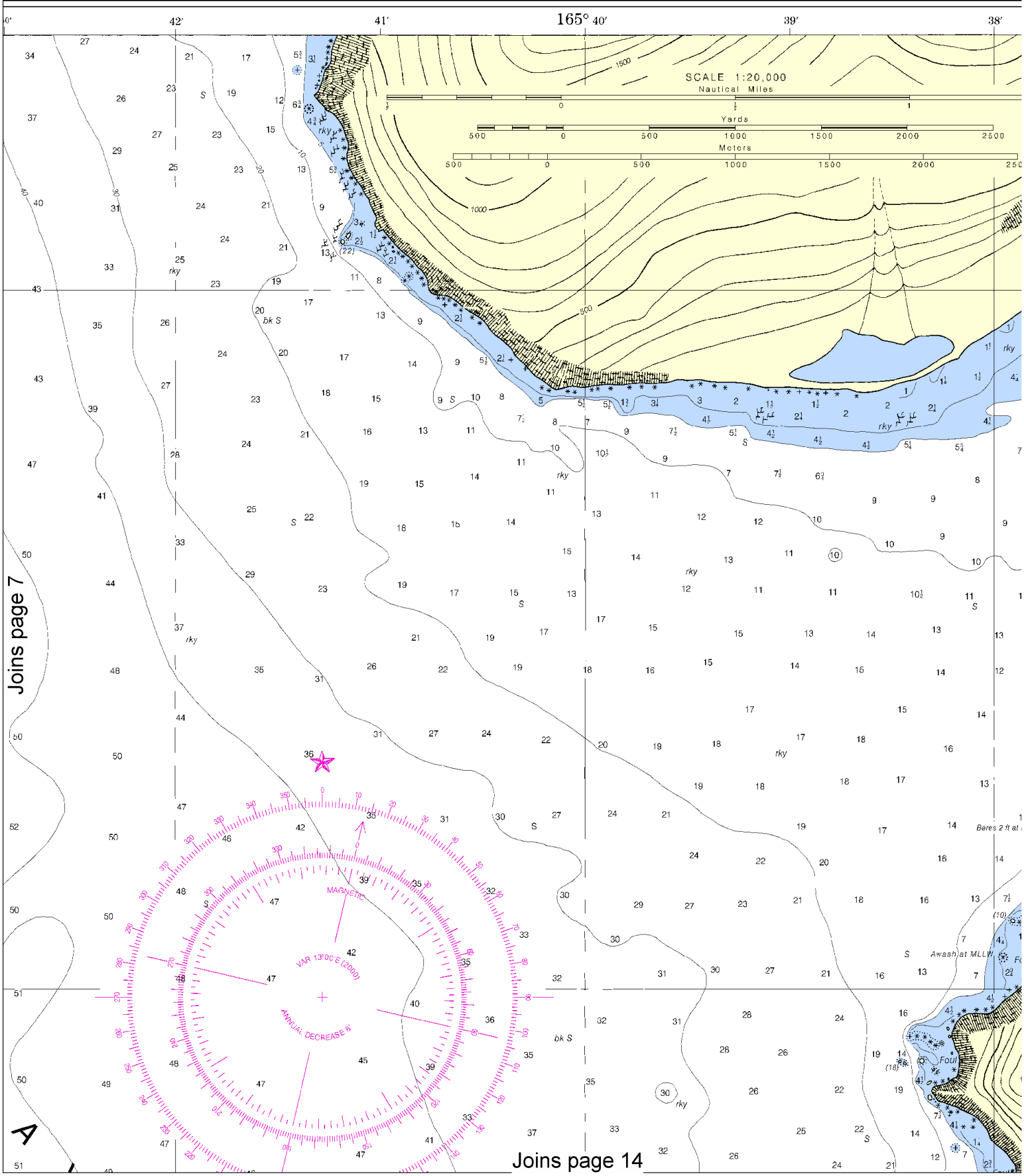

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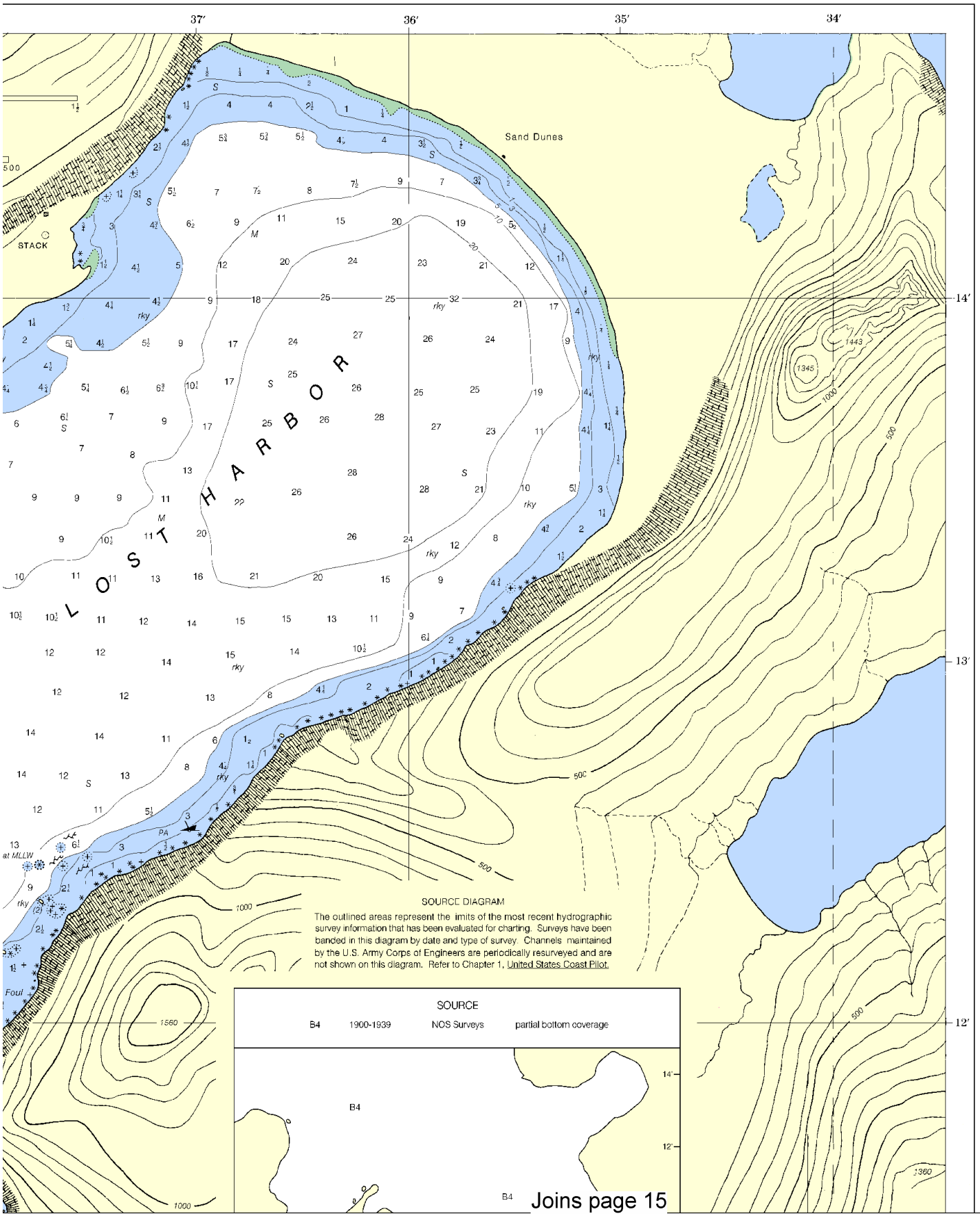

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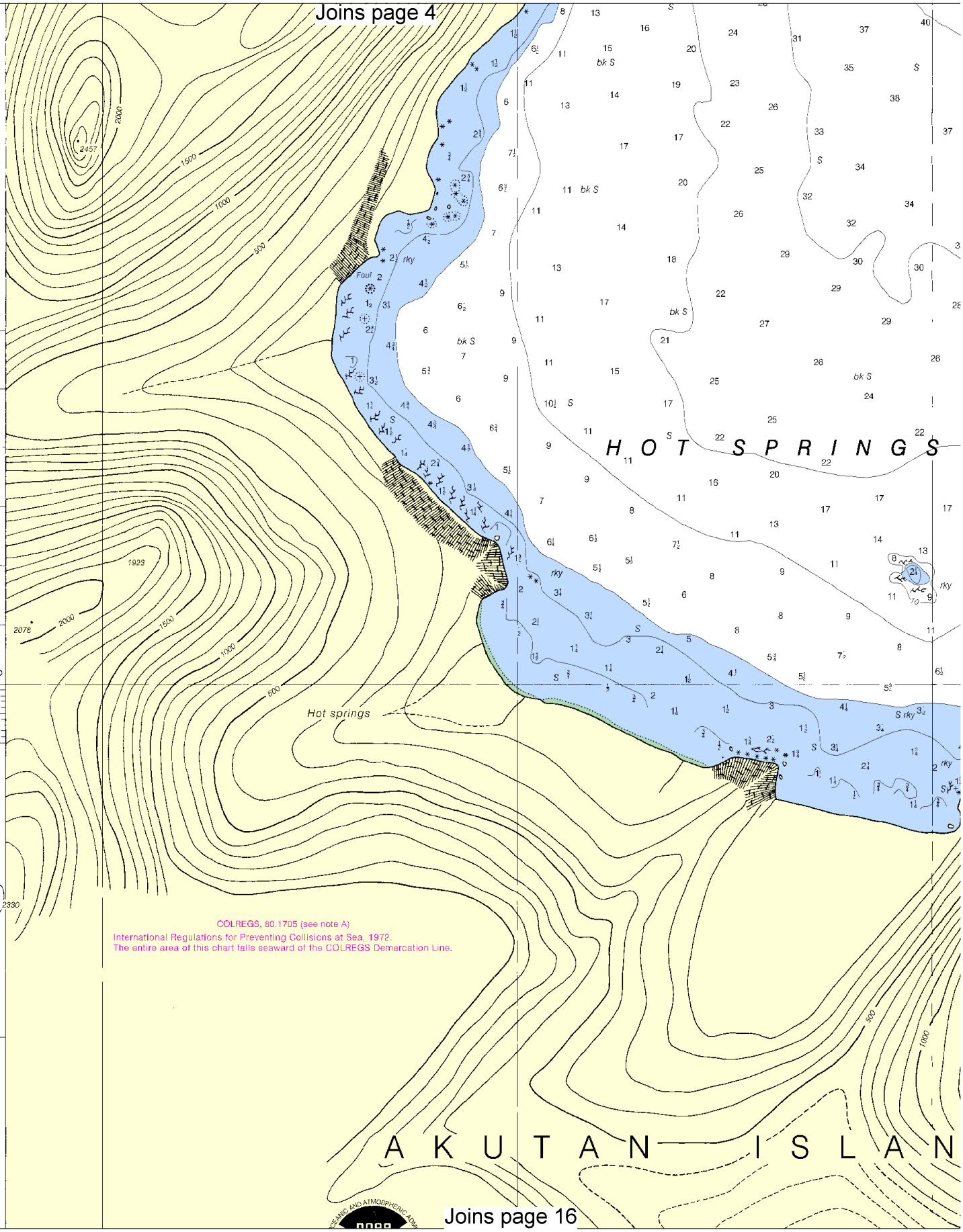

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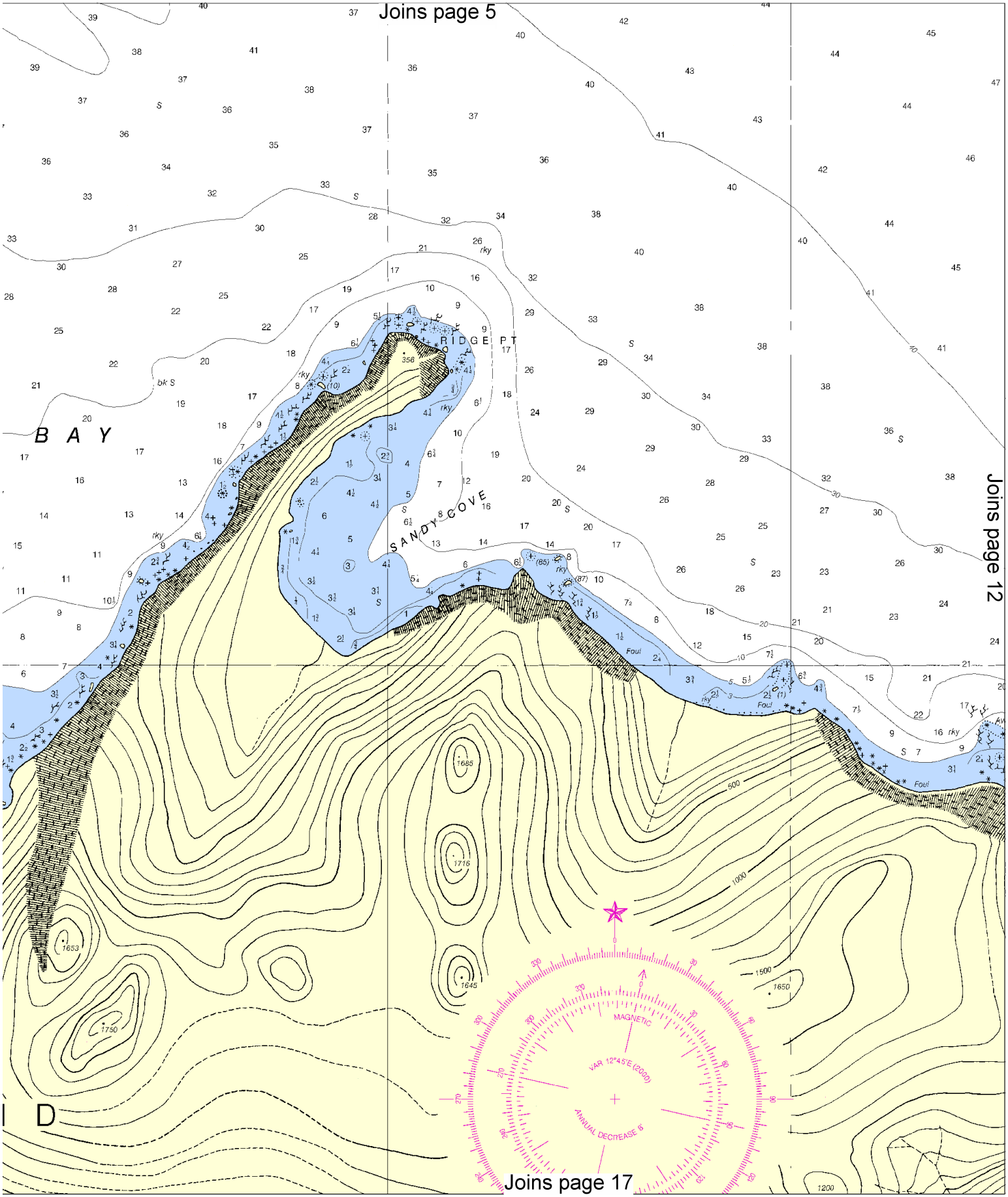
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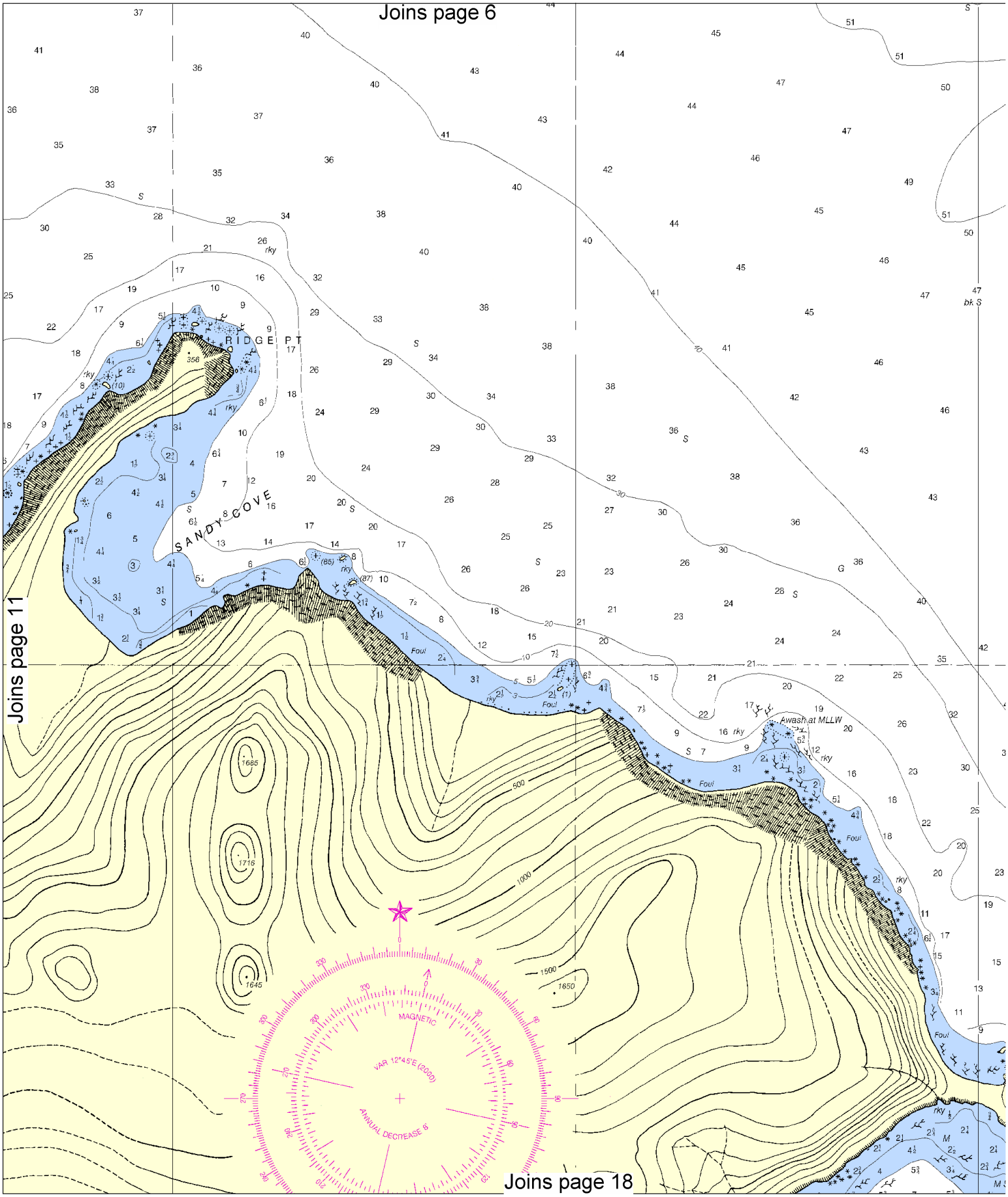

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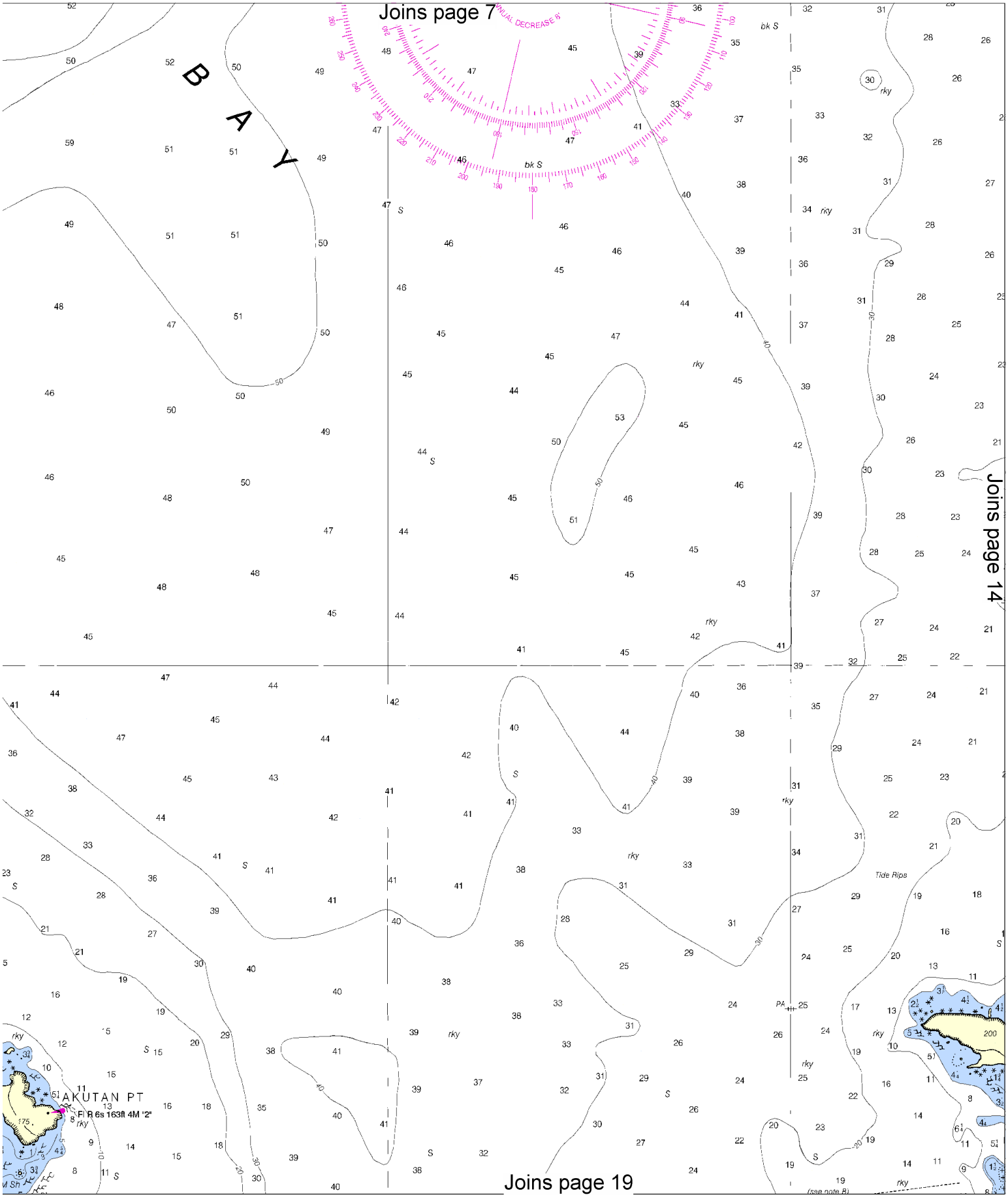
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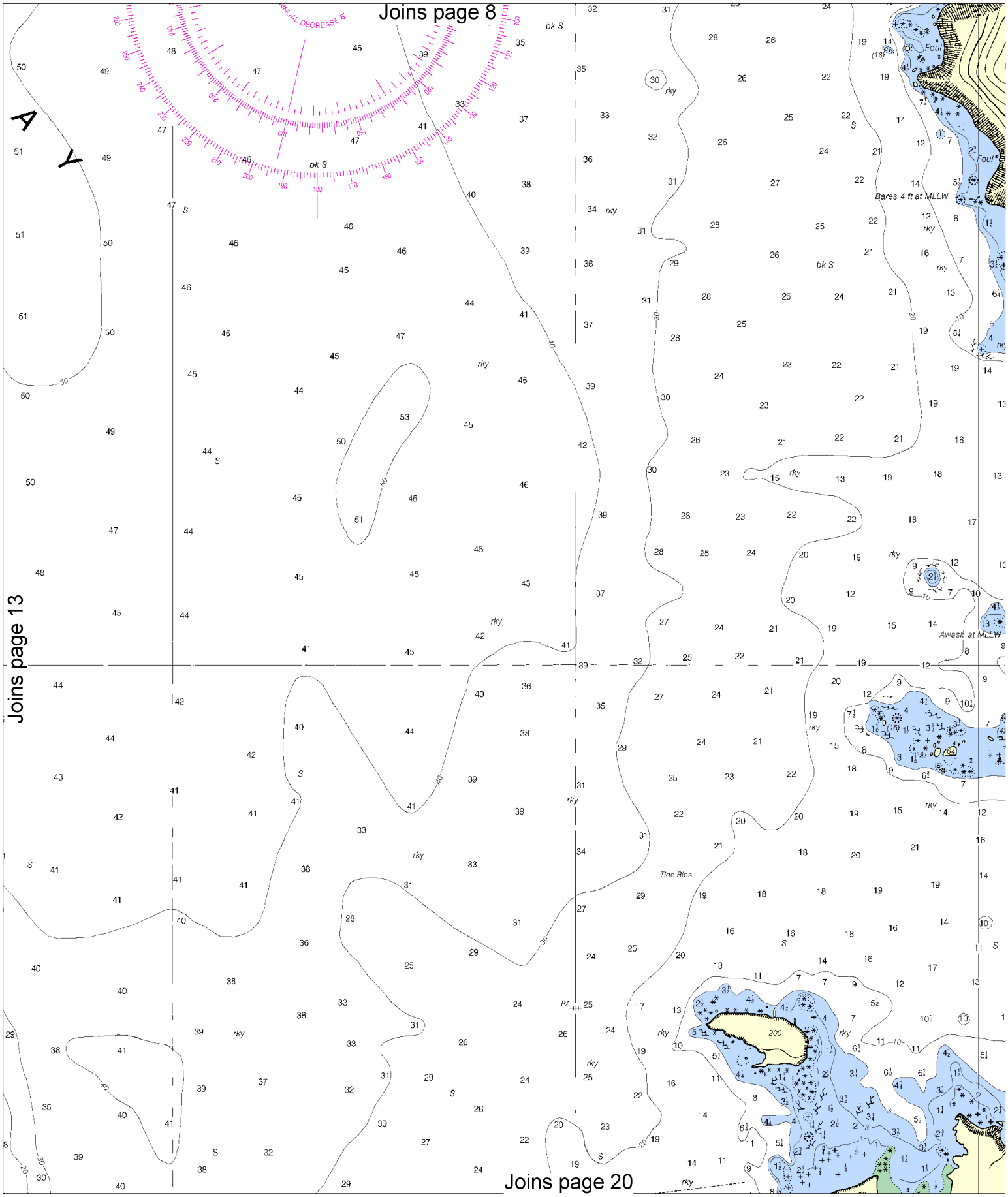

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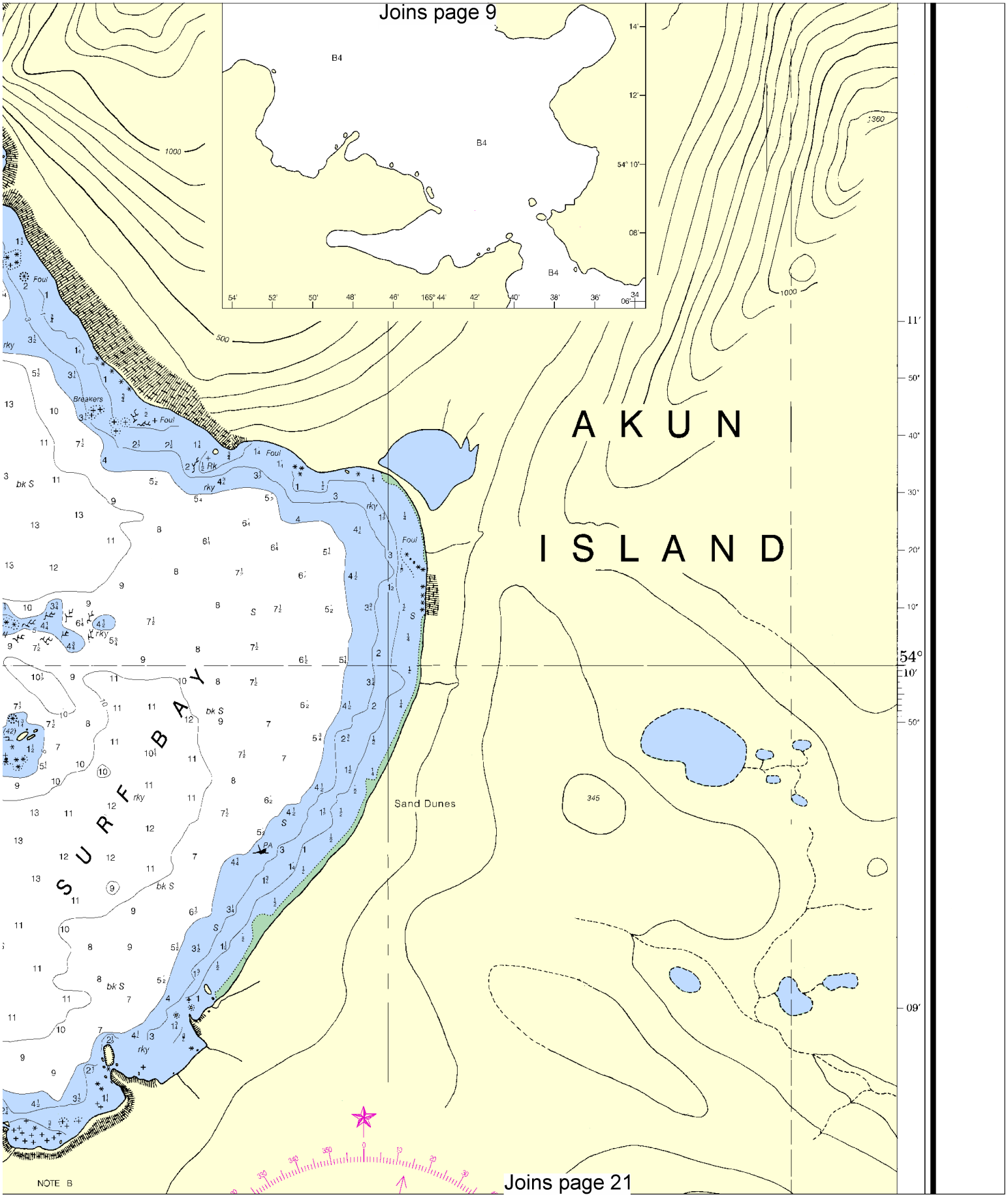
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LT HO lighthouse
M nautical mile
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N run
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R Bn radiobeacon
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Bottom characteristics:

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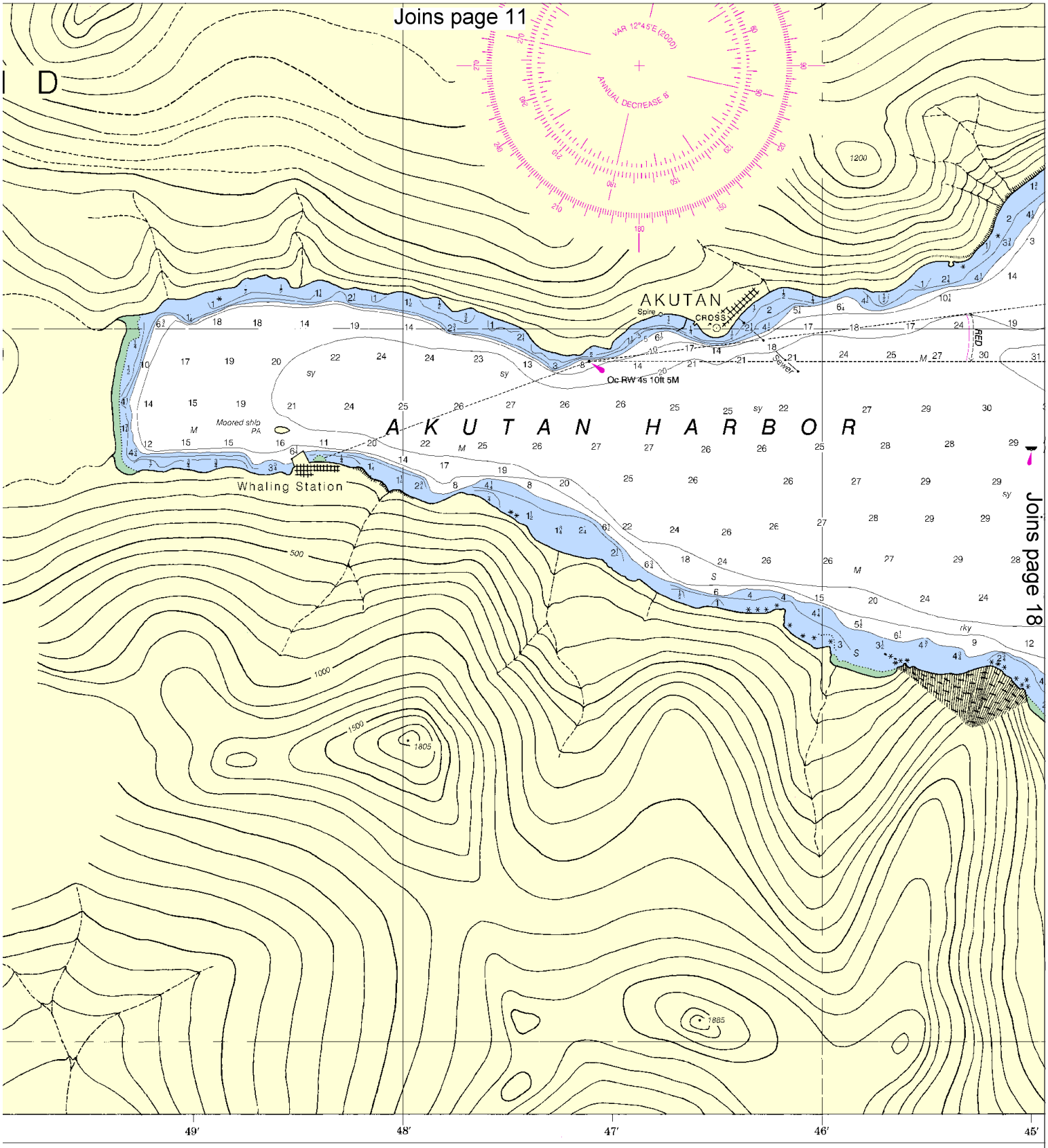

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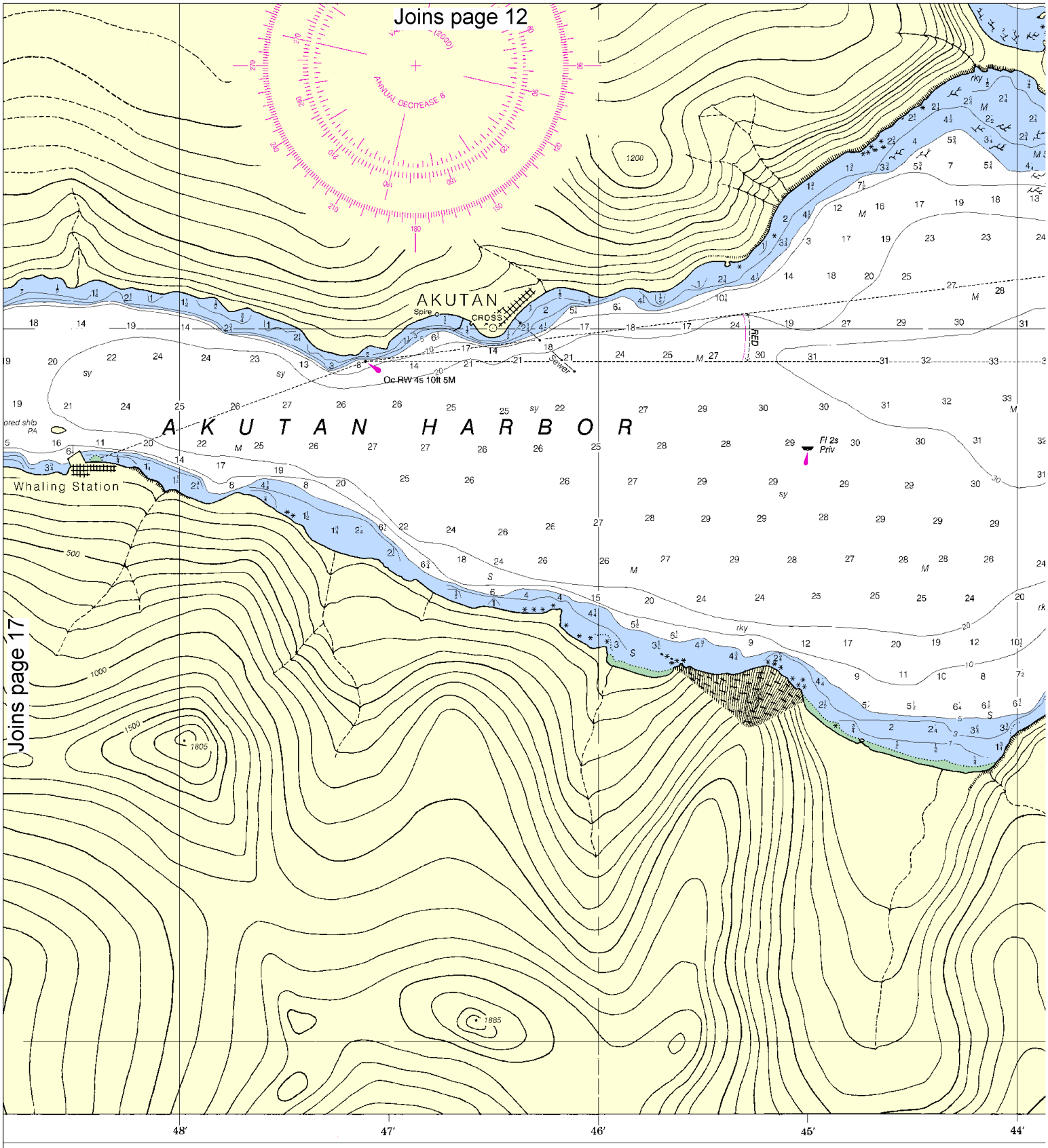

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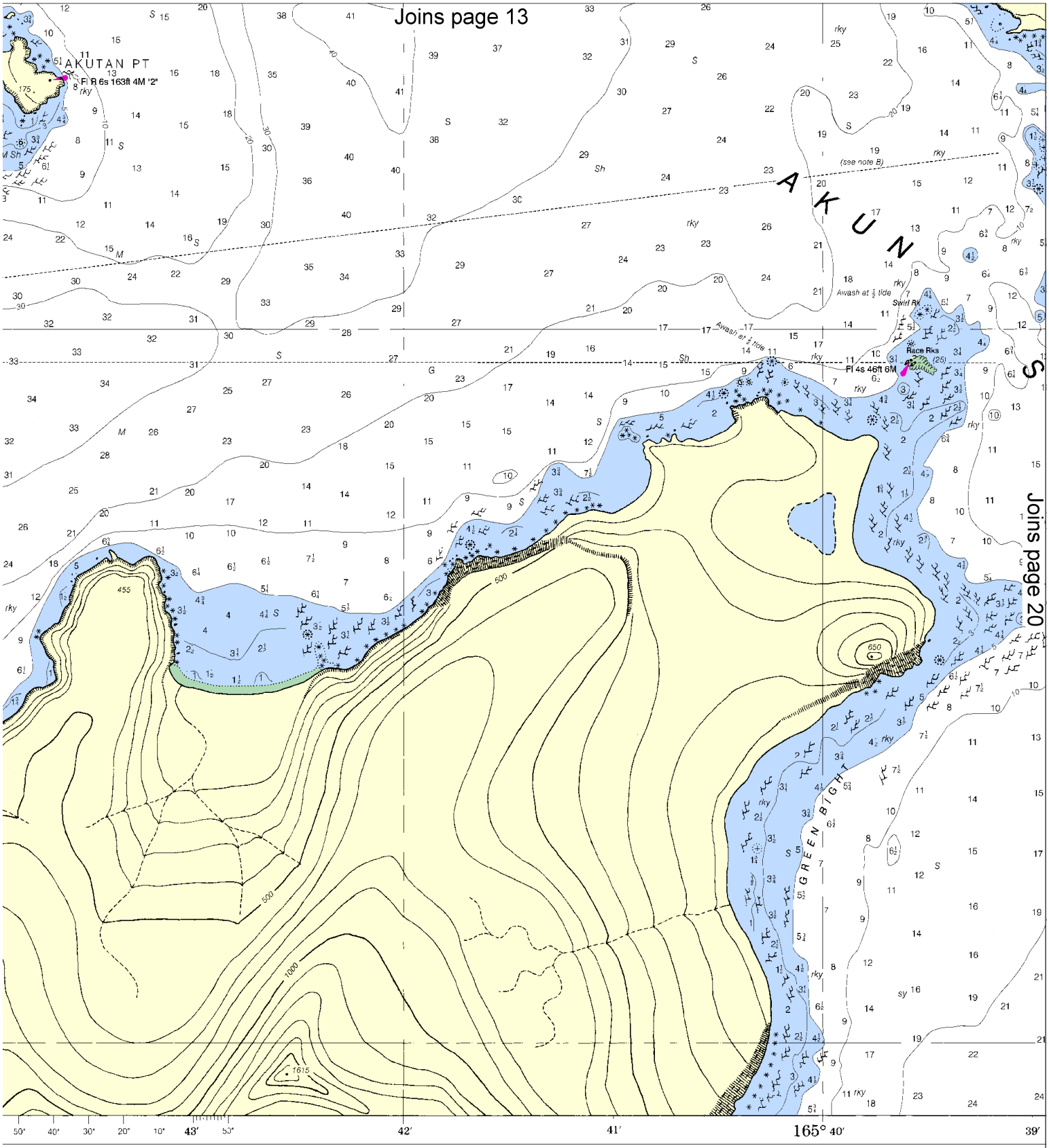

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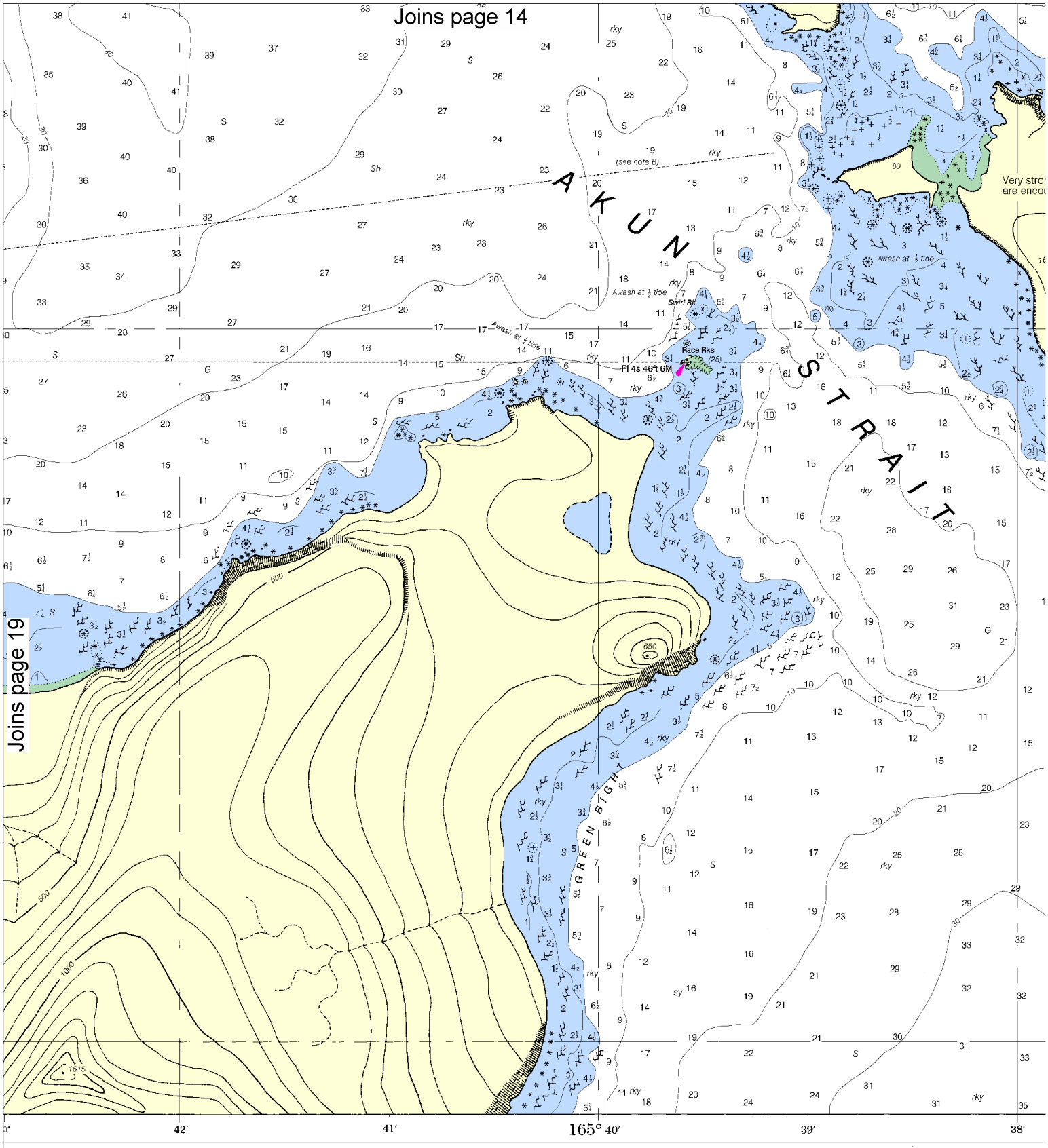

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Nautical Miles: 0 1 1½

Yards: 500 0 500 1000 1500 2000 2500

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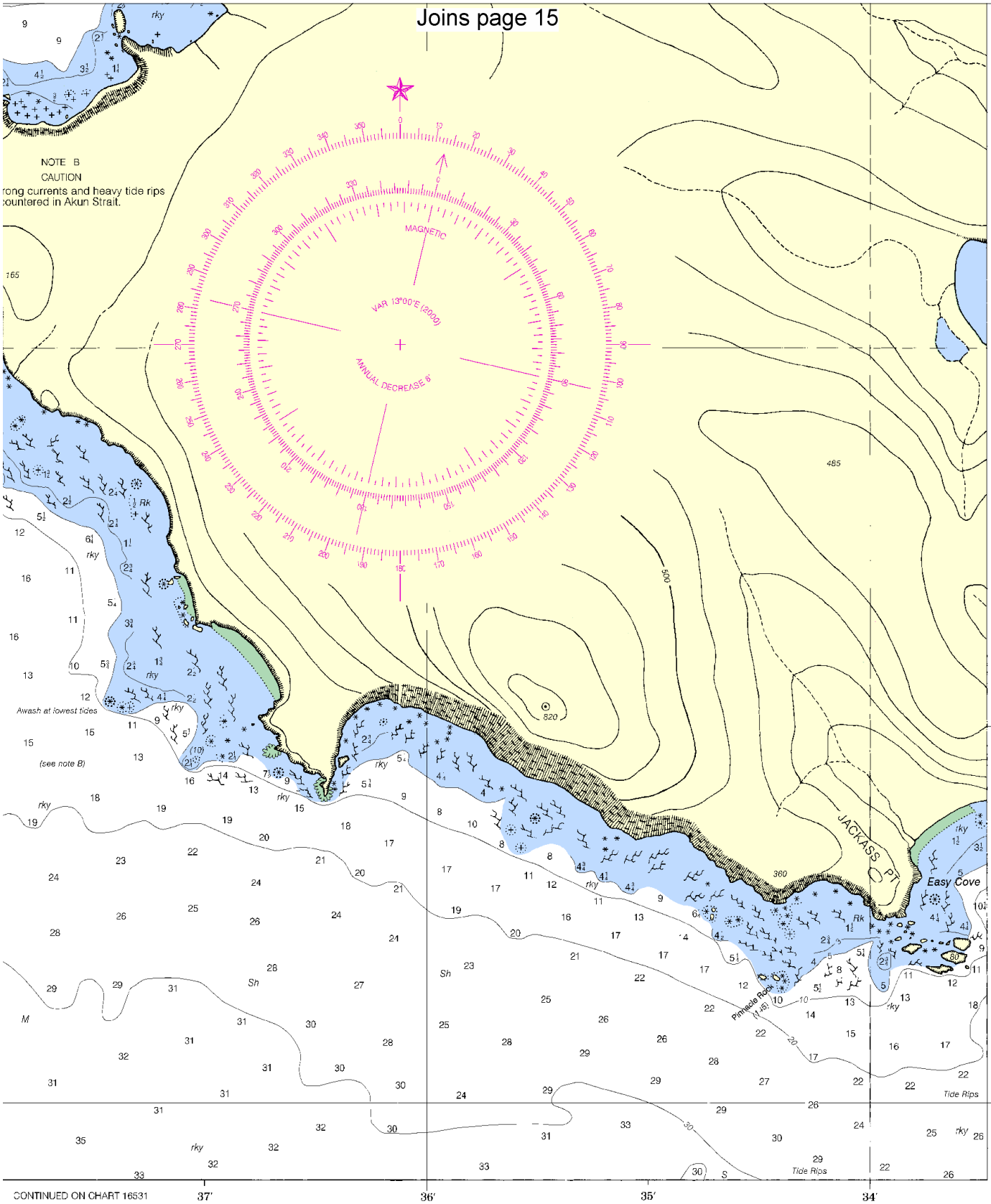

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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.
Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.
Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.
Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.
Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.
Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 & 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Distress Call Procedures

1. Make sure radio is on.
2. Select Channel 16.
3. Press/Hold the transmit button.
4. Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
5. Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
6. Release transmit button.
7. Wait for 10 seconds – If no response Repeat MAYDAY Call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS !!

Mobile Phones – Call 911 for water rescue.
Coast Guard Search & Rescue (Pacific Coord) – 510-437-3700
Coast Guard Search & Rescue (RCC Juneau) – 907-463-2000

NOAA Weather Radio – 162.400 MHz, 162.425 MHz, 162.450 MHz, 162.475 MHz, 162.500 MHz, 162.525 MHz, 162.550 MHz.

Getting and Giving Help – Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

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