



Hydrographic Services and Standards Committee

Report of the  
Digital Information Portrayal Working Group (DIPWG)

HSSC-4, September 2012

(Briefing for HSSC4-05.3A)

# Principal Activities and Achievements



# DIPWG Annual Meeting

- Combined DIPWG4/ TSMAD24 Meeting
- 7-11 May 2012
- IHB, Monaco

## DIPWG Staff

Chair: Colby Harmon - USA  
Vice Chair: Julia Powell - USA  
IHB: Michele Huet

## Participating Members

Australia	Japan
Brazil	Rep of Korea
Canada	Netherlands
Denmark	Norway
Finland	Sweden
France	UK
Germany	USA

## Participating Industry

CARIS - Canada  
ESRI - USA  
Furuno Finland - Finland  
GEOMOD - France  
IC-ENC - UK  
IIC Technologies - Canada  
Jeppesen Marine - Germany/Norway  
KESTI - South Korea  
NAVTOR - Norway  
NG Maritime Systems - USA  
SevenCs - Germany  
T-Kartor - Finland  
Transas Group (Russia)

## New DIPWG Staff

Chair: Colby Harmon - USA  
Vice Chair: Thomas Mellor - UK  
Secretary: Alberto Costa Neves - IHB

# Progress on HSSC Actions for DIPWG

HSSC-2 Action No.	Subject	Action
20/22	Pick report	DIPWG to further develop pick report as proposed in CHRIS20-06.3A.
<p>Status: On-Going</p> <p>The paper, "<a href="#">Draft Specifications for Implementing the Cursor Enquiry and Pick Report in ECDIS</a>" was presented at the April 2011 joint TSMAD22/DIPWG3 meeting. The ensuing discussion led to an action for an ad hoc committee to write a deferred amendment (for S-52 Maintenance Document 9) to specify the minimum requirements for cursor enquiry and pick reports. This will also be the basis for the specification of pick reports in S-101.</p>		

HSSC-3 Action No.	Subject	Action
10	S-52 PresLib 3.5	DIPWG Chair to include in the DIPWG work plan the following new Work Item "Revision of the S-52 Presentation Library including in relation to aspects of S-64, taking into account the comments contained in paper <a href="#">HSSC3-05.3B</a> ".
<p>Status: Completed</p> <p>The work item has been added to the DIPWG Work Plan.</p>		



# Work Program Progress Highlights

- ✦ S-100 Portrayal Model Development
- ✦ Conditional Symbolization Procedures (CSP)
- ✦ Single Set of Aid to Navigation Symbols for S-101
- ✦ Narrative Portrayal Sections of S-100 & S-101
- ✦ New S-52 Presentation Library
- ✦ Pick-Report Standardization



# Portrayal Model

- ✦ Needed to create ECDIS machine-readable symbolization instructions to portray S-101 ENC
- ✦ OEMs expressed concerns about the need for excessive XML extensions used in the model
- ✦ Much of the same functionality may be available “out-of-the-box” with other approaches
- ✦ WG discussed the use of other script languages
  - XSLT ; OGCs symbol encoding (SE) and filter encoding (FE)
- ✦ Selection of approach to be used within next 2 months
- ✦ Full model development may take until next summer



# Conditional Symbolization Procedures

- ✦ Correspondence group is reviewing the awkward Nassi-Shneiderman diagrams used to depict Conditional Symbolization Procedures (CSPs) in S-52
- ✦ CSPs describe complex symbolization logic that cannot be represented in simple look-up table entries
- ✦ Goal: eliminate or simplify CSPs for S-101
- ✦ Analysis has also pointed out the potential need for additional attributes needed to simplify portrayal
- ✦ Simplifying CSPs will also make the creation of machine readable rules much easier



# Simplified / Traditional Symbology Consolidation

- ✦ Defining single set of point symbols for Aids to Navigation for S-101 ENC's
- ✦ Goal: Take best aspects of “paper chart” and “simplified” symbol sets in S-52 and make single unified symbol set



- ✦ Less confusing for mariners / ECDIS training simpler
- ✦ Simplify implementation and maintenance of S-101
  - Eliminates 300 point symbolization look-up table entries
- ✦ Mariners will be consulted by through a survey regarding the proposed symbology





# Narrative Portrayal Sections of S-100 & S-101

- ✦ Wording of Portrayal Section continues to be distilled from existing S-52 content or drafted as original text
- ✦ Much of S-52 content will not go forward into S-100
  - Not applicable for new S-100 design
  - Information is held in Hydro Portrayal Register
- ✦ Some of the content is dependent on the final composition of the portrayal model



# New S-52 Presentation Library (ver 3.5)

- ✦ Unified portrayal Spec: 2 deferred amendments have been incorporated.
- ✦ More consistency among ECDIS implementations, as adopting deferred amendments is optional
- ✦ “Cleaned-up” presentation library will make preparations for portrayal in S-101 more straight forward
- ✦ It is hoped that PresLib version 3.5 may be completed by the end of 2013 and approved in 2014



# PresLib Issues related to HSSC3-05.3B

- ✦ HSSC-3 added new DIPWG work plan item for, “revision of the S-52 Presentation Library including in relation to aspects of S-64, taking into account the comments contained in the paper [UKHO HSSC3-05.3B].”
- ✦ DIPWG reviewed the issues described in the paper and an accompanying slide presentation made by the UKHO at HSSC-3
  - No urgent PresLib changes have been identified from HSSC3-05.3B
  - Modifications will be considered along with other PresLib changes in the queue
  - Seeking recommendations from WG members for ways to resolve issues
  - Will work on issues that WG believes have merit and over which it has control
  - As appropriate, DIPWG will assist TSMAD in updating and enhancing S-58, *Recommended ENC Validation Checks* and S-64, *IHO Test Data Sets for ECDIS*



# Pick Report Standardization for S-101

- ✦ Two iterations of design concepts for a minimum specification for pick-report content were developed
- ✦ Could also be issued as deferred amendment for S-52
- ✦ It is hoped that a final set of guidance can be completed soon and implemented for S-101
- ✦ Lower priority than completing Portrayal Model



# Other Items of Note



# ECDIS Anomalies

- ✦ IHO and IMO investigations of “ECDIS Anomalies” are of great interest to DIPWG
- ✦ Effort has revealed that some deployed ECDIS systems are not displaying import features correctly
- ✦ DIPWG is eager to clarify any portions of S-52 that may have led to inconsistent implementations
- ✦ To date, none of the anomalies identified have been definitively linked to errors in S-52 or the PresLib, but these issues continue to be investigated.



# Status of Work Items and Future Work Plan



Task	Work Item	Status / Remarks
A.1	Resolve any problems or errors identified in S-52 and its Presentation Library as appropriate	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Routine maintenance of S-52.
A.4	Issue Maintenance Document No. 9 of S-52.	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> MD #9 will consist of deferred amendment for Pick Report Standardization after new PresLib 3.5 is released
A.5	Publication of a new Presentation Library Version 3.5 Revision of the S-52 Presentation Library including in relation to aspects of S-64, taking into account the comments contained in paper HSSC3-05.3B	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Will incorporate 2 existing maintenance documents and any new changes as appropriate. <b>Recommend rewording work item to read:</b> “Develop new Presentation Library Version 3.5 and coordinate with TSMAD for appropriate changes to S-64”
C.1	Monitor Relevant International Standards	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Staying apprized of status of various International Standards, such as IEC 61174, IEC 62288 and the ISO 19100 series.





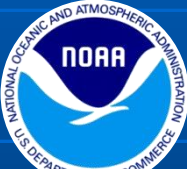
Task	Work Item	Status / Remarks
F.2	Maintain S-100 Portrayal	<b>Future Work Item</b> Refining initial portrayal implementation.
F.3	Assist TSMAD in identifying which aspects of S-52 should be incorporated into S-100 and S-101 Specification.	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Editing and writing the Portrayal Sections of S-100 and S-101.
F.4	Maintenance of S-101 Portrayal Component and Portrayal Catalogue	<b>Future Work Item</b> Refining initial portrayal implementation.
J.1	Liaise with CSPCWG	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Review and address, as appropriate, any changes in paper chart portrayal standards.
K.2	Maintain Chart Presentation Bulletins on the DIPWG page of IHO website	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Routine posting of CPBs on the IHO website.
K.3	Review and revise other informational pages on the DIPWG page of IHO website	<b>Continuing Work Item</b> Continual improvement of the DIPWG page on the IHO website.



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L.1	Investigate enhancing the appearance of existing traditional paper chart symbols used in ECDIS by modifying their size, shape and colour.	<p><b>Continuing Work Item</b>            Unification of traditional “paper chart” and simplified ECDIS symbology</p>
M.1	Provide technical assistance on Portrayal for S-10x related product specifications.	<p><b>Continuing Work Item</b>            Providing technical assistance to those developing S-100 based product specifications. Currently, DIPWG is assisting SNPWG.</p>
N.1	Conduct the 2013 meeting of DIPWG	<p><b>Recurring Work Item</b>            Next DIPWG meeting will be hosted by USA (NOAA) in Silver Spring, Maryland.</p>



# Next DIPWG Meeting

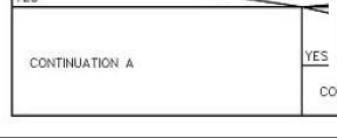
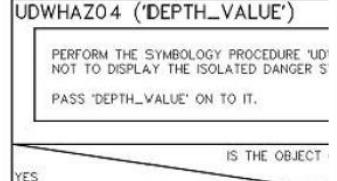
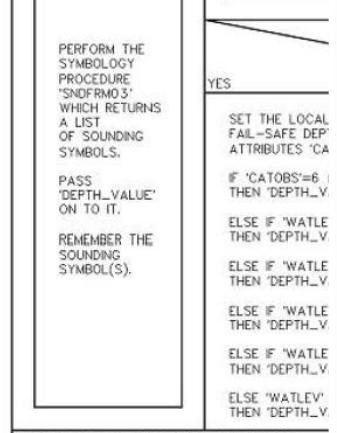
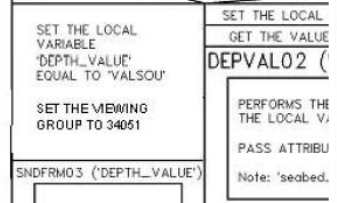
- ✦ Combined DIPWG5 / TSMAD25 Meeting
- ✦ June 2013
- ✦ Silver Spring, Maryland, USA (Greater Washington, DC Area)
- ✦ Hosted by:  the National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)





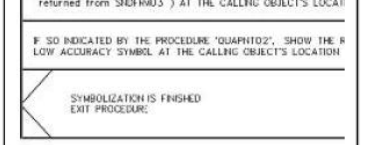
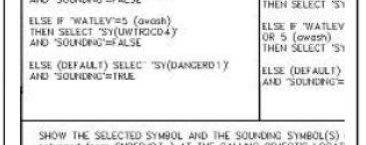
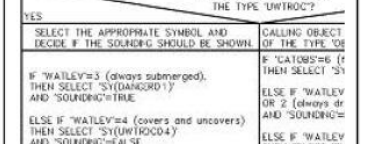
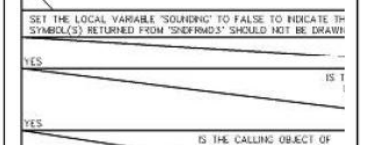
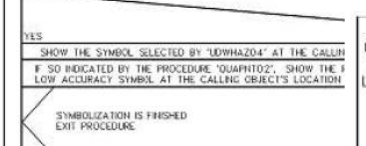
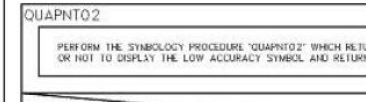
Conditional symbology procedure for symbolizing objects of the class abstraction (OBSTRN) and underwater rock (UWTR0C).

# CSP For Obstructions



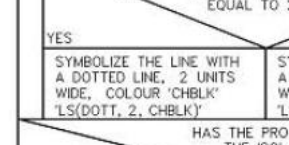
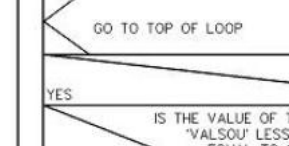
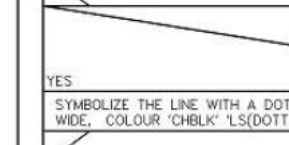
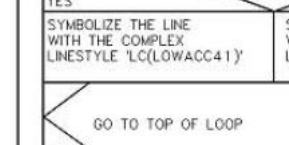
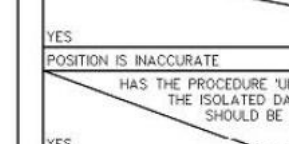
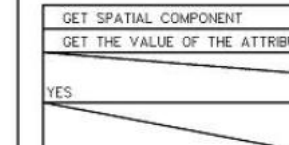
## OBSTRN06 Continuation A

Point objects, underwater rocks (UWTR0C) and obstructions (OBSTRN)



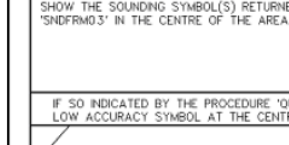
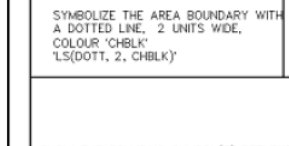
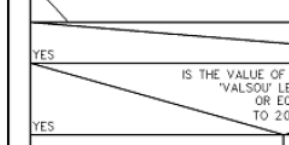
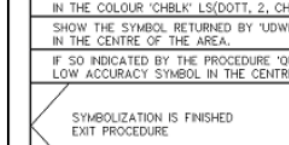
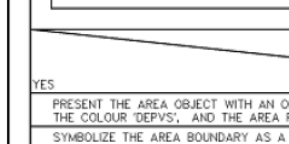
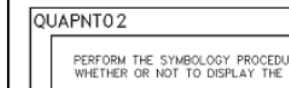
## OBSTRN06 Continuation B

Line objects, obstructions (OBSTRN)



## OBSTRN06 Continuation C

Area objects, obstructions (OBSTRN)



# Problems or outstanding issues

- ✦ Delay in developing portrayal model
- ✦ Funding for necessary contract work



# Action required of HSSC

