

**Paper for Consideration by NCWG****US Plans for Future of NOAA Paper Charts**

<b>Submitted by:</b>	US (NOAA)
<b>Executive Summary:</b>	A presentation will be made at NCWG5 to describe recent decisions by the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) regarding a five-year plan for NOAA paper nautical chart production.
<b>Related Documents:</b>	NCWG5-12.5A INF, "NOAA Custom Chart Web Application"
<b>Related Projects:</b>	None

**Introduction / Background**

A presentation will be made at NCWG5 to describe recent decisions by the US National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) regarding a five-year plan for NOAA paper nautical chart production.

**Analysis/Discussion**

The US plans for NOAA paper nautical chart production have three components:

- Improve the consistency and level of detail provided by NOAA's primary chart product, the Electronic Navigational Chart by rescheming the entire NOAA ENC product suite
- Promote use of paper chart products based on ENC data, such as through the NOAA Custom Chart (NCC) web application.
- Other major initiatives that will be discussed at NCWG5.

**Action Required of the NCWG**

The NCWG is invited to:

- a. note the info paper,
- b. consider the components of NOAA's plan while evaluating the Future of the Paper Nautical Chart and developing recommendations for HSSC and IHO.