

Crowd Sourced Bathymetry

CSB On the Great Lakes and Beyond

Collaborative Bathymetry CIDCO – April 2023



Who We Are and Our Background

Mission

The goal of Orange Force Marine (OFM) is to provide safe, professional, efficient commercial vessel services, marine consulting services, project management and operations expertise, while improving mariner competency, reducing risk and enhancing safety of life at sea through education & training.

Experience and Qualifications

- Commercial Marine Services with operational expertise
- Hydrographic & Bathymetric Survey
- Specialized Marine Consulting & Technical Services
- Maritime Project Management
- Royal Canadian Navy and Canadian Coast Guard experience
- Search and Rescue expertise
- Training Development and Delivery
- Enterprise IT Solution Development
- IT project Management
- Enterprise Risk Management
- Utility and Infrastructure Inspection Data Management



Lakebed 2030



- Extension of Seabed 2030, but focussed on Great Lakes

- Only 7% of Great Lakes surveyed to acceptable degree of accuracy
 100-2500m between soundings
 - Most surveys from the 1950-1960s
- Fully mapping via traditional survey means (MBES, LiDAR, SDB) has significant cost (\$130-\$200M)
- Crowd Sourced Bathymetry as an incremental, contributing option





GLOS Project Scope and Timelines

Objectives

Adopt a system integrator approach to implement a CSB solution to:

- Gather and process CSB data
- In near real time
- In an automated manner
- Format data for use by GLOS
- Format data for submission to IHO DCDB

Timelines

- 2021
 - Development Prototype
 - Pilot Spring (2 Vessels)
 - GLOS Rollout (Additional 10)
- 2022
 - Development v2
 - GLOS Rollout (Additional 10)
- 2023
 - Additional Trusted Node Instances
 - Pilot data collection outside of the Great Lakes
 - Development v3
 - GLOS Rollout (Additional 10)
 - National and global rollout



Growing Beyond the Great Lakes

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Connecting Oceans, Connecting People



CSB Pipeline Ecosystem







Solution Benefits





- 1. "Mussel" kit
 - a. Non intrusive install
 - b. Industry proven data logger
 - c. IMU (optional)
 - d. Local storage
 - e. Data transfer communications (Wi-Fi / cellular) without operator intervention
 - f. Message filtering (optional)
 - g. Remote management of IoT devices
- 2. IHO Quality levels (verified against existing data sets)

Processing Environment



Configuration Management and Analysis Environment

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- 1. Self Configuration management tools
- 2. Data mining capability for fleet management
- 3. Realtime integration with personalized project data with visualization partners

- 1. Pre-deployed cloud environment
- 2. Configurable for multiple IHO Trusted Nodes
- 3. Quality Control data checks
- 4. NMEA library licence
- 5. Automated processing pipeline to convert data formats
- 6. Automated transfer data for various external uses
- 7. Data management processes and archive
- 8. Dashboards and metrics
- 9. Fully auditable workflow



Successes - Statistics

In two Great Lakes boating seasons:

- 1. 12 participating vessels across various US and Canadian government and industry organizations
- 2. Data collected on 3 of the 5 Great Lakes (Lake Michigan started fall in 2022)
- 3. 5.7M depth records collected & sent to IHO DCDB
- 4. 1600 sea hours
- 5. 13,500 nm travelled







Operational Successes and Challenges

Successes

- Able to get vessels online quickly

 equipment installed and offset
 measurements recorded
- Monitoring and managing the fleet

Challenges

- Vessel equipment age and configuration status
- Vessel electronics complexity from single to multiple devices
- GNSS coverage areas and quality signals
- Emerging variable drafts on freighters



Sample of Participating Vessels (types)



























Using Visualization Partners



Outside of the Great Lakes – Pilot 2023





Next steps



