

1. Downloading NOAA Charts

NOAA Charts arrive as .zip (compressed) files that you must be able to unzip (uncompress). Windows XP has a program that will unzip these files. If you do not use Windows XP, WinZip can be found for free on the web. At this point, Chart Navigator should be closed.

Open Internet Explorer

Go to <http://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov>

Left click (LC) on "Raster Navigational Charts" (on icon)

LC on "[Click here](#) to download NOAA RNCs"

Read the agreement and information to the bottom of the page and

LC "Proceed to NOAA RNC(BSB) download"

Select either graphical or textual, I like textual.

LC "textual"

At the SHOW menu change the 20 to 500

Scroll down to 11545 Beaufort Inlet and Part of Core Sound and check the right box

Scroll back to the top of the page and LC "Review selections"

LC "order selections"

Note filename in red.

LC "Download"

LC "save" in "Do you want to open or save this file?"

LC "save in desktop"

Close Internet Explorer

Double right click (RC) on NOAA BSB file on the desktop.

"Open with" → LC on "Compressed (zip) Folders"

Under Folder Tasks, LC "Extract all files"

"Extraction Wizard, LC "NEXT"

"Files will be extracted to this directory", LC "browse"

LC "my computer"

LC "Drive (C:)"

LC "Chartkit"

LC "OK"

LC "NEXT"

LC "Finish"

Double LC "Bsb_ROOT"

Double LC "11545"

LC "Edit" menu,

LC "Select All",

LC " Copy the selected items"

LC "Drive (C:)"

LC "Chartkit"

LC "Bschart"

LC "Copy"

LC "Back" *

* At this point you may have to go back to

LC "Back" *

My Computer, "Drive C", Chartkit to find BSB-Root

LC "BSB_Root" *

Right Click (RC)

LC "delete"

Exit to desktop and place NOAA BSB 11545... in the recycle bin.

Now, open the Chart Navigator from the desktop icon.

If you now look under "Charts", and then "Chart List" you will find that Beaufort and Lookout Bight have been added to your list. Double LC either to move it to the Chart Navigator desktop.

Happy Charting!

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