

Subject: RE: Last Hope Siphon - survey data ?

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I believe Sheck wrote the sketch map from memory after his second dive. I don't know if Maret's team surveyed Last Hope Siphon or the Good News passage when they went back to dive Bad News Siphon.

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Hi Nevin, Lee, and Jack,

I see your names in the Sheck Exley writup on his Last Hope Siphon dives, so I have a question for you please

Was the Last Hope Siphon and 950' of air-filled passage beyond ever actually surveyed?

I've have a copy of the map based (I believe) on Sheck Exley's 1975 dive, but there's no data in the Compass file.

Was the map a sketch map from memory and perhaps compass & pacing? Or do we actually have survey data somewhere?

Thanks,

Tony.

P.S. Perhaps the real question is should we see if Zeb wants to "take another look" and survey it? 600' of siphon and 950' of dry passage would add a bit of length to the cave. And if the Bad News Siphon beyond is still full of mud as reported by David Whall and Karen Wark a few years after Sheck's dive? It might have opened up in the past almost-40 years.