

# **142<sup>nd</sup> CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON**

## **LINEAGE**

Activated 142<sup>nd</sup> Civil Engineering Flight; received official federal recognition, 8 Nov 1969  
Redesignated 142<sup>nd</sup> Civil Engineering Squadron, 1 Jul 1985  
142<sup>nd</sup> Civil Engineer Squadron

## **STATIONS**

Portland, OR

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

Maj. Donald R. Tonole  
LTC William Harlow  
LTC Robert Thompson  
Maj. Robert Beraud  
LTC Kerry Sharp, #1991

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Civil engineering was originally part of the 142 Combat Support Squadron located at Portland

International Airport, Portland, Oregon. Plans for forming the 142 Civil Engineering Flight began to take shape in 1969. The unit received official federal and state recognition effective November 8, 1969. In 1977 the unit went through a major reorganization and expanded to 168 officers and airmen. The authorized manning increased to 171 in 1984.

An Alaska Army Guard Eskimo scout unit has a place to call home, thanks to the efforts of the 142 Civil Engineering Squadron. In July 1986 members of the unit's PRIME BEEF team deployed to Kipnuk, Alaska, 800 miles north of Anchorage, to provide needed construction. Col. Wallace Carson Jr. was promoted to the rank of Brigadier General in August. Brig. Gen. Carson, who in civilian life is an Oregon Supreme Court Justice, assumed the military position of Assistant Adjutant General for Air upon the retirement of Brig. Gen. Rosenbaum

At Chula Vista, California, the U.S. Border Patrol estimated that they were processing as many as 1800 illegal aliens daily. In April 1987 the 142 Civil Engineering Squadron made the Border Patrol's job easier when they rehabilitated patrol facilities during two different 14-day training deployments.

In 1989 the squadron was reorganized again, and the services flight was established as a subordinate unit. Authorized manning increased to its present level of 191.

#### PRIME BEEF

Plumbrook, Ohio 19-22 Sep, 1974  
King Salmon, Alaska 9-23 Aug, 1975  
Castle AFB, Calif. 17-31 Jul, 1976  
Plumbrook, Ohio 16-20 Sep, 1977  
Kingsley Field, OR May, 1978  
Fresno ANG Base, CA 5-19 May, 1979  
Eielson AFB, AK 16-30 Jun, 1979  
Wheeler AFB, HI 22 Jun-6 Jul, 1980  
ANG Training Base Gulfport, MS  
2-16 May, 1981 ANG Training Base  
Gulfport, MS 13-23 Mar, 1982  
Eglin AFB, FL Field 4, 24-27 Mar, 1982  
Hickam AFB, HI 9-24 Apr, 1983  
Pittsburgh ANG Base, PA 17-31 Mar, 1984  
Eglin AFB, FL Field 4 26 Apr - 1 May, 1985  
Hurlburt Field, FL 1-11 May, 1985  
Kipnuk, Alaska 25 Jul - 10 Aug, 1986  
Elmendorf AFB, AK 2-16 Aug, 1986  
Castle AFB, CA 21 Mar - 4 Apr, 1987  
San Diego, CA 25 Apr - 9 May, 1987  
San Diego, CA 9 May - 23 May, 1987  
Tooksook Bay, AK 15-31 Aug, 1987  
Camp Mica, OR 30 Apr - 14 May, 1988  
Coos Head, OR 9-23 Apr, 1988  
Cold Lake CFB, Canada 13-27 Aug, 1988  
Savoonga, AK 20 Aug - 7 Sep, 1988

Cold Lake CFB, Canada 8-21 Oct, 1988  
Camp San Luis Obispo, CA 15-29 Apr, 1989  
Albrook AFS, Panama 4-18 Mar, 1989  
Lucea, Hanover Parish Jamaica 3-18 Feb, 1990  
Round Pass Mtn., OR 2-10 Jun, 1990 23-30 Jun. 1990  
Cold Lake CFB, Canada 8-22 Sep, 1990

#### FIRE/CRASH

Minot AFB, ND 14-28 Jun, 1980  
Grand Forks AFB, ND 14-28 Jun, 1980  
Carswell AFB, TX 13-27 Mar, 1982  
Grand Forks AFB, ND 8-22 May, 1982  
Hickam AFB, HI 18 Jun - 2 Jul. 1983  
Luke AFB, AZ 7-21 May, 1983  
Travis AFB, CA 7-21 Apr, 1984  
Castle AFB, CA 2-16 Mar, 1985  
Clark AB, Philippines 15 May - 1 Jun, 1986  
Castle AFB, CA 2-16 Aug, 1986  
George AFB, CA 28 Mar - 11 Apr, 1987  
Luke AFB, AZ 12-26 Sep, 1987  
Mtn. Home AFB, ID 9-23 Apr, 1988  
George AFB, CA 30 Apr - 14 May, 1988  
Eielson AFB, AK 8-22 Jul, 1989  
McClellan AFB, CA 17-23 Sep, 1989  
Beale AFB, CA 28 Oct - 11 Nov, 1989  
MacDill AFB, FL 10-24 Feb, 1990  
Howard AB, Panama 4-18 Mar, 1990

142nd Installations Squadron: federalized ANG 2 Mar 51 at O'Hare IAP, IL, assigned to the 142 AB Group; inactivated 6 Feb 52.

---

Air Force Order of Battle

Created: 29 Sep 2010

Updated:

Sources