461st AAF BASE UNIT

MISSION

LINEAGE

461st AAF Base Unit Activated, 1 Apr 1944

STATIONS

Lemoore AAF, CA, 1 Jun 1944

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

COMMANDERS

Col Louis L. Roberts, 4 Jun 1944 Col Robert L. Rockwell, 4 Dec 1944 Col Gerald Hoyle, 24 Dec 1944 Col Troy Kieth Maj John F. Nealon, 11 Apr 1945 Col Theodore Q. Graff, 10 Jun 1945

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

CALL SIGN

OPERATIONS

On 31 May 1944, the advance Guard of the 461st set up its HQ at Lemoore. On 4 Jun the rear guard arrived and the 461st was completely transferred to its new home. The new mission of Lemoore was the administrative, medical and training processing of personnel destined for bases in the Fourth Air Force.

On 15 Nov 1944, Lemoore Field was assigned the additional mission of redeployment station for overseas units returning to the San Francisco Port of Embarkation. The primary job of the unit will be to re-form and recheck groups which have returned from the European Theater of Operations. Personnel will be screened to determine which men are eligible for separation from the Army; Which men will be reassigned to installations; which men will be retrained for assignment overseas.

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Sources

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