

674 RADAR SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

674 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron
Redesignated 674 Radar Squadron (SAGE)

STATIONS

Osceola AFS, WI

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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674th AIRCRAFT CONTROL
& WARNING SQUADRON



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OPERATIONS

The 674th AC&W Squadron began operating a pair of AN/CPS-6B radars from this site in December 1951. These radars were retired at the end of the decade as an AN/FPS-7 and two AN/FPS-6A height-finder radars were installed during 1959. Also during 1959, Osceola joined the SAGE system. The pair of height-finder radars were replaced by AN/FPS-90 sets in 1963. The 674th was deactivated in March 1975.

674 Osceola AFS, WI CPS-6B (2); FPS-7; FPS-6A / -90 (2) FPS-7; FPS-90 Dec-51 Mar-75
75 Site was at East Farmington, WI. (FPS-7 later became FPS-107)

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674th Radar Sq (SAGE): assigned 1 Jan 51 at East Farmington WI, assigned to 543rd AC&W Gp; transferred to 31st AD 6 Feb 52; site redesignated to Osceola AFS, WI 1 Dec 53; transferred to 37th AD 1 Jan 59; transferred to 30th AD 1 Apr 59; transferred to Duluth ADS 1 Jul 59; redesignated to 674th Radar Sq (SAGE) 15 Dec 59; transferred to 29th AD 1 Apr 66; reassigned to 34th AD 15 Sep 69; reassigned to 29th AD 14 Nov 69; reassigned to 23rd AD 19 Nov 69; redesignated 674th Radar Sq 1 Feb 74; inactivated 31 Mar 75.

The 674th is located along the St Croix wilderness river southeast of the community of Osceola.

Osceola started as a direction center in the ACW field with 261 enlisted men and 33 officers.

During 1959 and 1960 it was absorbed into the SAGE system.

The Osceola installation is a heavy ground radar station providing 24 hour radar surveillance of airspace over eastern MN, western WI, NE Iowa and Lake Superior. In April 1977 Osceola AFS shut its gates for the last time.

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