761st RADAR SQUADRON



OREGON

P-12/Z-12 - Reedsport/North Bend

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761st Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron 761st Radar Squadron

STATIONS

North Bend AFS, OR

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Maj John H. Farrar, #1954 Cpt Stiles, #1963

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

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OPERATIONS

761st Radar Sq (SAGE): activated 7 Feb 51 at Reedsport, OR, assigned to 505th ACEIW Gp; transferred to 25th AD 6 Feb 52; transferred to 4704th •Def. Wg Jan 53; site. redesignated to North Bend AFS, OR 1 Dec 53; transferred to 25th AD 8 Oct 54; transferred to Portland ADS 1 Mar 60; redesignated from ACETW.Sq to 761st Radar Sq (SAGE) 15 Jul- 60; transferred to 26th AD 1 Apr 66; reassigned to 25th AD 15 Sep 69; redesignated 761 Radar Sq 1 Feb 74.

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Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron Located: 11 August 1951, North Bend, Oregon

Note: 11 August 1951, Headquarters unit of the 761st moved to the permanent site (P-12) at

North Bend.

Subordinate to: 1951, 505th Aircraft Control and Warning Group

Personnel: 1951, 12 Officers and 108 Enlisted

Commanders:

1951, Captain/Major Wendell Steele

Equipment: 1951, AN/CPS-5D (Overhaul ended 15 September 1951).

Detachment 1

Located: August 1951, Portland, Oregon Equipment: August 1951, AN/CPS-5D

Latitude: 43-32-00 N, Longitude: 124-10-35 W

Call Sign(s): Goodbook

Perm ID	Sage ID	JSS ID	Unit	Location	Early Equip.	Final Equip.	1	Inact. Date	Notes
P-12	Z-12		761	North Bend AFS, OR	"FPS-3; FPS-4; FPS-8/GPS-3; FPS-7; FPS-6, - 90; FPS-26A"	FPS-7; FPS-90; FPS-26A	Feb- 52	11- Feb- 80	BUIC-II. FPS-7 later became FPS- 107V2.

History of North Bend AFS, OR

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The new site in North Bend was formally the home of the 761st RS. With cutbacks in military funding, the 761st closed in Apr 1979.

The two dates above don't jive. Perhaps the squadron shut down active operations in 1979 and inactivated 1980.

ⁱ Unit history. 25th Air Division (Defense). 1953-1954; Unit history. 25th NORAD Region. 1963.