802 CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON



MISSION

The 802nd "Black Knight" Civil Engineer Squadron sets the standard in building, sustaining, and protecting resources at home and abroad. The unit maintains all real property assets on Lackland, Lackland Training Annex, Kelly Field Annex, Camp Bullis and the Air Force's premier medical training and trauma hospital, Wilford Hall Medical Center. The squadron consists of 1,200 personnel with an average annual budget of \$67.5 million dollars to maintain 16 million square foot physical plant with a replacement value of \$4.2 billion dollars encompassing 9,500 acres, 177 miles of road and 2,071 facilities. The squadron provides all engineering, environmental protection, explosive ordnance detection for south Texas, fire protection, military housing, operations and maintenance, utilities, disposal, leaseback management and readiness in support of Lackland.

LINEAGE

802 Installations Squadron constituted, 9 May 1952
Activated, 28 May 1952
Discontinued, 15 Jun 1960
Redesignated 802 Civil Engineering Squadron, 3 Oct 1984
Redesignated 802 Civil Engineer Squadron, 28 Jul 2009
Activated, 31 Jan 2010
Inactivated, 3 Dec 2013

STATIONS

Smoky Hill (later, Schilling) AFB, KS, 28 May 1952-15 Jun 1960 Lackland AFB, TX, 31 Jan 2010-

ASSIGNMENTS

802 Air Base (later, 802 Combat Support) Group, 28 May 1952-15 Jun 1960 802 Mission Support Group, 31 Jan 2010

COMMANDERS

Mr. David Dentino (Dir), 13 Jul 2010 – 3 Dec 2013

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, a knight couped at the neck Sable, detailed and fimbriated Argent, charged with an escutcheon blazoned Gules, fimbriated Sable, a pile of the like, a bordure Argent; overall, the knight's dexter arm embowed grasping a sword palewise point to chief of the second, detailed and highlighted of the third; all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "LEAD THE WAY" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "802D CIVIL ENGINEER SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The knight symbolizes honesty, loyalty and reliability. The armored hand grasping the upright sword represents leadership, military honor and justice. The shield symbolizes the defender, and the pile suggests superior engineering skill. The helmet represents wisdom and security in defense as well as strength, protection and invulnerability. The bowed position of the knight's head denotes honor in service.

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OPERATIONS

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Sources

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