

101st CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

101st Civil Engineering Flight 1 Nov 1969

Redesignated 101st Civil Engineering Squadron, 1 Jul 1985

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STATIONS

Bangor, ME

ASSIGNMENTS

101st Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Maj Burton Pease

Maj Stanley Karod,

Maj William Beutel

LTC Stanley W. Karod, #1987

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

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OPERATIONS

101st Installations Squadron: federalized ANG 10 Feb 51 at, Grenier AFB, NH, assigned to the 101st AB Group; moved to Larson AFB, WA 2 Aug 51; inactivated 6 Feb 52.

On 1 November 1969, the 101st Civil Engineering Flight was activated and assigned to the 101st Fighter Group (AD). Personnel were previously assigned to the 101st Combat Support Squadron.

Since its inception, CE has grown from as few as twenty members (1957) to the present authorized strength of one hundred eighty-five personnel. CE has been a "weekender" military force and a large civilian work force of state and federal employees. These latter employees maintain all buildings, roads, and grounds during the regular work week. This force has grown from thirty in 1968 to the present strength of fifty-eight, including nineteen firefighters.

Another equally important mission of CE has been meeting the training requirements of Prime Base Engineer's Emergency Forces (Prime BEEF). Members of these teams must be able to deploy within twenty-eight hours. These teams are trained to perform base recovery and rapid runway repair (RRR). Members are deployed at least annually for formalized training in various specialties. A great deal of this training has been conducted at Eglin AFB, Florida as well as numerous other Air National Guard and Air Force installations in the United States and overseas. There have been deployments to Germany (twice), Spain, and Panama Canal, to mention only a few.

The ANG Fire Department was first organized in October 1947. It consisted of six men on a part-time basis. They had no assigned vehicles with no emergency response requirements and operated out of old Hangar 5, which was located near the present Anzac Building. During the late 1940's, the fire department personnel performed their annual training at locations out of state. After coming off federal duty in October 1952, Delmont McAllister was appointed the first ANG Fire Chief. The first full-time technician fire fighter, Richard Filliettaz, was hired in 1966 and in 1967, the ANG received its first permanently assigned fire vehicle an O-11A. In 1972, 10 additional technician firefighters were hired by the ANG when the withdrawal of Air Force firefighters was completed.

In June 1975, the technician firefighter positions were abolished and fire protection became the sole responsibility of the City of Bangor, supplemented by ANG firefighters in a variety of duties consisting of annual training, SUTA's, and proficiency training. William Sinclair replaced Richard Filliettaz as Technician Fire Chief. The ANG began to convert the fire vehicles to newer P-4 vehicles during 1975, replacing the O-11A's. In 1977, the manning document was increased to 42 people.

In April 1979, Donald Spencer retired from the ANG and William Sinclair assumed the dual responsibility as Technician Fire Chief and ANG Fire Chief. In July 1984, the City firefighters were withdrawn from the airport and the ANG fire department assumed full responsibility for airport fire protection. Today, the Base Fire Department for the ANG consists of 42 full-

time fire fighters supplemented by 18 UTA and 9 auxiliary fire fighters. They maintain 4 P-2s, a P-10 rescue vehicle, a 1500 gallon tank truck, a P-13 and P-20 quick response vehicles. In addition to providing aircraft fire protection for Bangor International Airport and Bangor Air National Guard Base, the fire department also provides technical support to South Portland ANG Station, Searsport Fuel Depot, Columbia Falls AFS, Moscow AFS, base housing, and Army Guard facilities on the airport. It maintains a parade unit of 2 miniature fire vehicles and a clown unit, and participates in numerous county and state fire organizations.

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