

861st RADAR SQUADRON (SAGE)



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861st Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron
861st Radar Squadron

STATIONS

Dobbins AFB, GA, 8 Apr 1955-15 Aug 1955
Aiken AFS, SC

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

This was the first Phase II Mobile Radar system to achieve operational status. During December 1955 the 861st AC&W Squadron began activating AN/FPS-3, AN/MPS-14, and AN/TPS-10D radars. In 1958 an AN/FPS-20 and an AN/MPS-14 were operational. The site subsequently received an AN/FPS-7C search radar and an AN/FPS-26 heightfinder radar. By 1963 these radars were providing data for the SAGE system. The 861st was inactivated in June 1975.

861 Aiken AFS, SC TPS-10D; FPS-3, FPS-20; FPS-7C; MPS-14; FPS-26A FPS-7C; FPS-26A
Dec-55 Jun-75 First operational Phase-II mobile (SM-) site. FAA site afterwards, but closed now. Located at the Aiken Municipal Airport, originally the Aiken Army Air Field.

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and the entire site has since been demolished.

861st Radar Sq (SAGE): activated 8 Apr 55 at Dobbins AFB, GA, assigned to the 35th AD; moved to Aiken AFS, SC in fall of 55; transferred to 32nd AD 15 Nov 58; transferred to Montgomery ADS 1 Jul 61; redesignated from AC6W Sq to 861st Radar Sq (SAGE) 1 Nov 61; reassigned to 32nd AD 1 Apr 66; reassigned to 33rd AD 14 Nov 69; reassigned to 20th AD 19 Nov 69; inactivated 30 Jun 75.