



449th Theater Aviation Brigade
North Carolina
Army National Guard



**1-130 ARB (Attack/Recon Battalion)
Conducted Joint Air to Ground
Integrations live fire exercises with
multiple BCTs and SOCOM units and
participated in a JRTC rotation.**



**DET 1, B/2-151 S&S Supported security
operations for counterdrug and along
the southern border of the United
States, as well as hoist ops.**



**OSA DET 17 Provided transport for
numerous VIP missions and
wounded warriors through the
Wounded Warrior Project.**



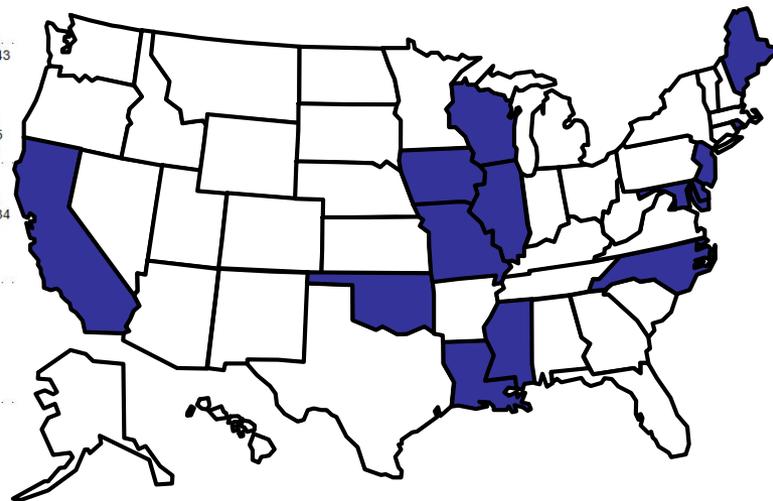
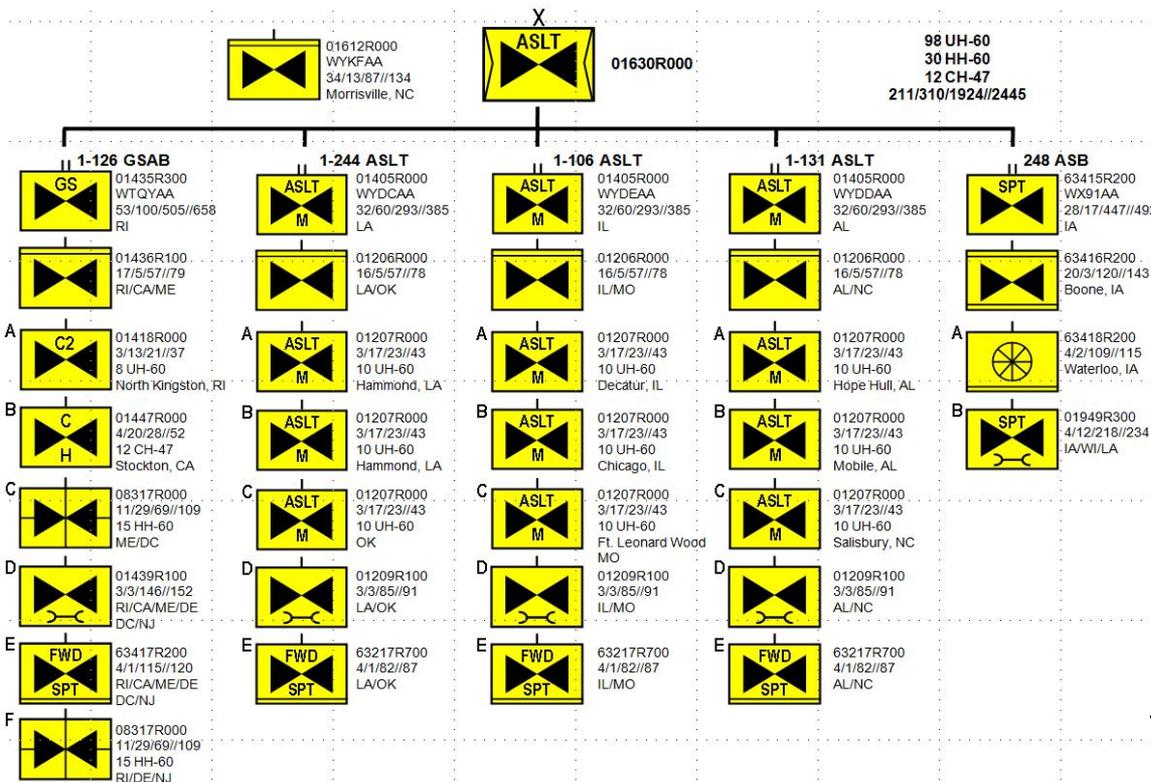
**C/1-131 ASSLT provided hoist
rescue capability, SOF, ROTC,
infantry, and medical airlift
mission support.**



**2-130 AOB (Airfield Operation
Battalion) involved in RESET
activities and preparation for
future missions.**



Brigade (Wartrace) ORG



CDR: COL Copeland
XO: LTC Pickett
CSM: CSM Hamm

14 States
16 AASFs
34 Separate Cos, Plts, Dets



Commander's Focus

T/R-1 Priorities:

- 1) **Individual Soldier Readiness** (*maximize SRP*)
- 2) **Equipment Readiness** (*Maintenance TNG, Services, Force Package equip readiness*)
- 3) **Training Readiness** (*DMOSQ, PME*)
- 4) **Support State and Federal Requirements** (*MOB Support, DOMOPS*)
- 5) **Develop and participate in programs that add value to our members, families, employers, and communities** (*ESGR, Ambassador Program, SPP*)

USR Commander Comments (U)

- 1) **Funding:** Did not receive adequate funding for schools, NETs, AFTPs, or flying hours. Funding for schools and quotas insufficient to maintain DMOSQ, especially for Aviation Officer/WO ASIs. Funding not adequate for equipment upgrades and/or RESET. AFTPs not funded sufficiently to support ATP requirements. Flying hours do not support ACFT hour requirements to meet ATP.
- 2) **Collective Training:** Difficult to get collective training opportunities for down-trace units except in an available year due to funding constraints and competing training objectives. Focus is on individual and unit readiness which makes collective training between states challenging
- 3) **Personnel Turnover:** Focus on maintaining qualified and experienced personnel to minimize loss of combat experience and reduce new training funds requirements.



Brigade Staff

	T/R-1	T/R-2	T/R-3
Status (by end of year)	P ●	P ●	T ●
Major Training Events	WFX 15-05 Response Cell	WFX 16-?? Evaluated Unit	JRTC 17-08 With Wartrace Units

Highlights & Issues

- MDMP Training conducted Oct 14
- T/R-1
 - WFX 15-05 at Camp Atterbury, IN
 - Focus on DOMOPS force packages and capabilities and rehearsals
- Individual C² automation skills require continued training focus (ABCS)
- New brigade S3 effective 1 Mar 14
- New brigade S4 effective 1 May 14

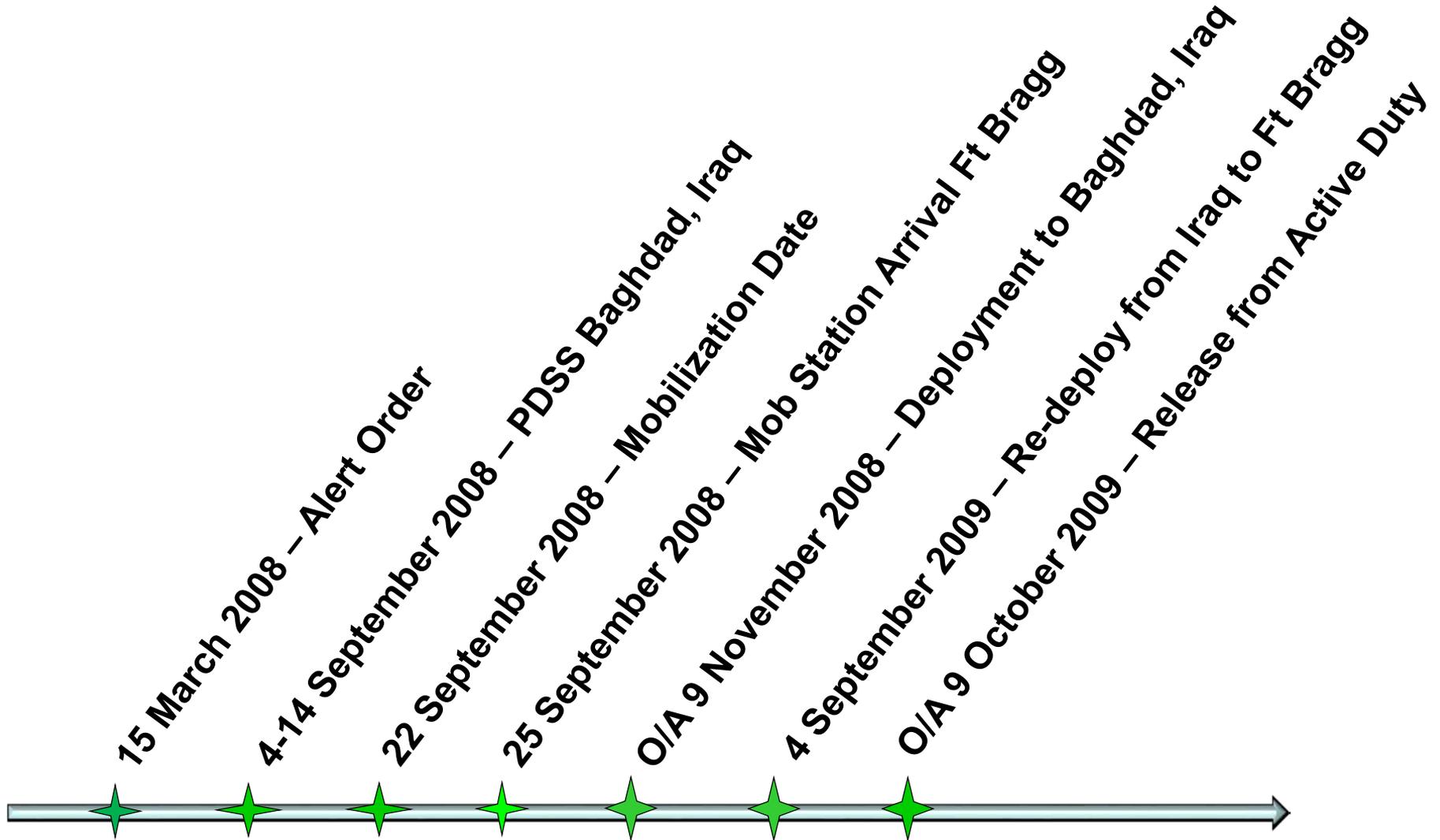


MDMP Training

- No obstacles to reaching required proficiency
- Minor obstacles. Fixable by Available Date
- Major challenges. No fix in sight



449 TAB OIF 08/09 Deployment





449 TAB OIF Highlights (1 of 2)

- **Approximately 40 days for Post-Mobilization Validation including ATX/MRX at Ft Rucker, AL**
- **Assigned to MND-Center/South as the Combat Aviation Brigade for 10th Mountain Division – Transitioned to MND- South post Iraqi Surge**
 - ✓ **Largest Battle Space in the Country**
 - ✓ **Led 3 x ARB's, 2 x AHB, 1 x GSAB (-), and 1 x Separate MEDEVAC Co**
 - ✓ **Distributed to 7 different Airfields and FOB's**
 - ✓ **In excess of 200 civilian maintenance contractors**
- **Built out entire airport infrastructure (Talill) including Aviation Brigade HQ, Aviation Maintenance Areas, Aircraft Parking Ramps, Life support and Dining Facilities**

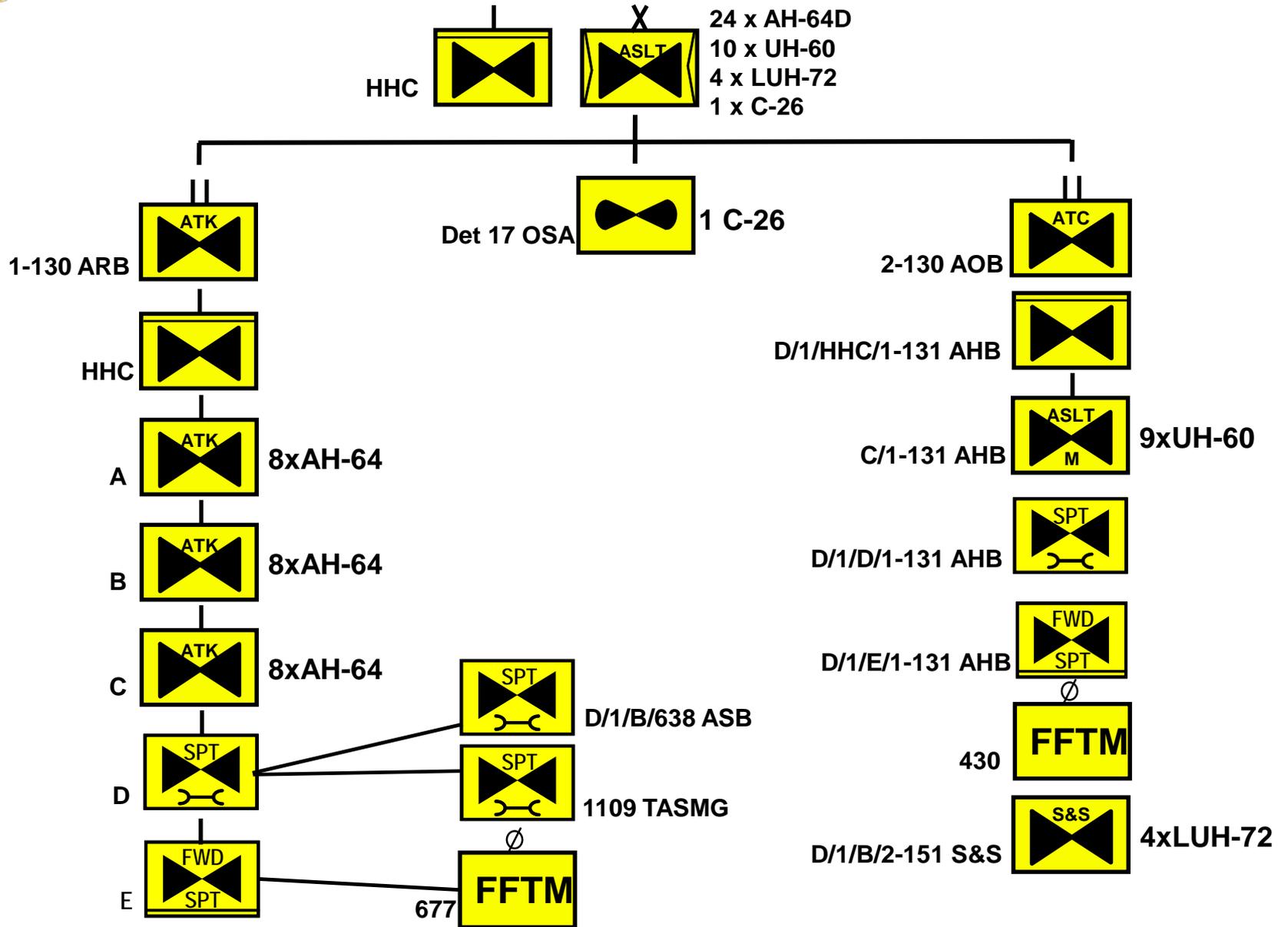


449 TAB OIF Highlights (2 of 2)

- **Transitioned Aviation Brigade to Talill while remaining fully operational**
- **Reassigned to the Corps CAB mission in support of MNCI**
 - ✓ **Most aircraft in theater - both Fixed and Rotary Wing**
 - ✓ **Supported General Purpose forces, Special Operations Forces, and Special Forces**
- **Flew in excess of 100,000 flying hours without a Class A-C incident**
- **Received Meritorious Unit Commendation**



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449 TAB PRIORITIES

1. PERSONNEL (Focus: Availability)

- Individual Soldier Readiness
- Strength and Personnel Management
- Mental and Physical Resilience
- Family Readiness

2. TRAINING (Focus: Mission Capability)

- Individual Training
 - Duty MOS Qualification
 - PME (OES & NCOES)
- Collective Training
 - METL Proficiency
 - Mission Command/ABCS/MDMP

3. EQUIPMENT & PROPERTY

- Operational Readiness
- Property Accountability and Management

Unity of Effort,
Coordination,
&
Constant
Communication

Always
Ready for
DOMOPS

In all we do: Risk Management



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Readiness Metrics

As of 7 June 2015

Assigned Strength: 842		Assigned Full Time Staff: 56 AGR	
Measures	Trend	Value	Goal
I - MRC 4		5.1%	≤ 4%
I - MRC3A		2.2%	≤ 4%
I - MRC3B		3.2%	≤ 7%
I - MRC 1&2		89.5%	≥ 85%
I - DMOSQ		87%	≥ 85%
U - Auth/Assigned Strength		106%	99% ≥ 101.5%
U - Assigned Over Strength		8%	≤ 10%
U - Vacancies		4%	≤ 15%
U - Attrition Rate		12.4%	< 18%
U - NOVAL		.5%	≤ 1%

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Questions?