

404TH ARMY FIELD SUPPORT BRIGADE

The 404th Army Field Support Brigade (AFSB), located at Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) in Washington state, is a mission-focused, modular organization, designed to project logistics power to our expeditionary Army.

The brigade has one subordinate battalion: Army Field Support Battalion (AFSBn): AFSBn-Lewis, three Logistics Support Teams (LSTs), one at Fort Irwin, CA, one at Ft Huachuca, AZ and one at JBLM; one Logistics Support Element (LSE) at JBLM; three Brigade Logistics Support Teams (BLSTs) at JBLM; and ten Logistics Readiness Centers (LRCs) located at Detroit Arsenal, MI; Dugway Proving Grounds, UT; FT Huachuca, AZ; Ft Hunter Liggett, CA; Ft Irwin, CA; JBLM, WA; Fort McCoy, WI; Presidio of Monterey, CA; Rock Island Arsenal, IL, and Yuma Proving Grounds, AZ.

The Brigade Mission Focus Areas include: Support to Defense Support of Civil Authorities (DSCA) in response to Northern Command (NORTHCOM) in case of a disaster; Support to I Corps 98K/Army Reorganization (81st ABCT to SBCT conversion), and Pacific Pathways; Support to the National Training Center; Logistics Readiness Centers; and Army Materiel Command (AMC) Campus Initiative which includes the Regional Logistics Readiness Center.

The Brigade's Lines of Effort include: Build Readiness and Sustain our Forces (Synchronize materiel enterprise support for ARNORTH and I Corps); Provide Depth and Flexibility through Mission Command (Develop Mission command capabilities, at all Levels, in all environments (systems and people); and Take of Soldiers, Civilians and Families through creating a climate of dignity and respect.

History

The 404th Army Field Support Brigade was activated on Oct. 16, 2007, with a mission to manage all Logistics Assistance Programs, ARFORGEN, and reset missions as the single point of entry to Army Materiel Command (AMC) for units on the Pacific Rim, excluding Korea and Japan.

Logistics Support Element (LSE)-Forward Stryker was established at Fort Lewis, Washington, in fiscal year 2003 as a subordinate unit of AMC Continental United States. The unit organized the first Stryker-LSE that year and prepared to deploy to Southwest Asia.

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LSE-Forward Stryker was reorganized in FY 2004 as AMC Forward Stryker, a direct subordinate unit to the Army Field Support Command, predecessor to the Army Sustainment Command. The mission of AMC Forward Stryker was expanded in FY 2005 to provide command and control of the Logistics Assistance Program in the Pacific Rim.

AMC Forward Stryker became the Army Field Support Brigade-Pacific on Aug. 15, 2005. The AFSB-Pacific's area of responsibility and mission support requirements expanded, to an emphasis on reset, pre-deployment training and preparation, and transformation of the 25th Infantry Division, 45th Corps Support Group (now Eighth Theater Sustainment Command), and separate units of U.S. Army Pacific. AFSB-Pacific created the first brigade logistics support teams in FY 2005.

When the Army Field Support Brigade-Pacific was renamed the 404th Army Field Support Brigade-Pacific, it was completely involved in ARFORGEN. During FY 2007, its mission expanded to include responsibility for the LSEs at Fort Irwin, Fort Huachuca, Hawaii, Alaska, and Fort Lewis.

On 1 Oct 2012 the Brigade mission expanded again with the assumption of Command of 8 LRCs, , one more LRC on 11 Jan 2015, two more LRCs on 17 May 2015 and one more LRC on 17 Jun 2015.

On 1 August 2015 the Brigade down sized with the loss of one AFSBn in Alaska and 2 LRCs, one AFSBn in Hawaii and one LRC, as they transferred to the 402nd AFSB at Schofield Barracks, HI.

The Brigade took command of its final LRC on 1 Oct 2016. With this final LRC the Brigade has command of 1 Battalion (AFSBn), three LSTs, one LSE, and 10 LRCs.

Today, the 404th Army Field Support Brigade proudly continues its mission to "Sustain to Win."