

Group/Air Station North Bend

Active Duty Personnel: 153 Reserve Personnel: 9 Civilian Personnel: 5 Mailing Address: Commander USCG Group North Bend 2000 Connecticut Ave North Bend, OR 97459-2399



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Established: Coast Guard Group/Air Station North Bend was established Sept. 28, 1974, with its first commanding officer, Cmdr. Edward F. Lewis. Before its commissioning, rescue aircraft had to be dispatched from Astoria to aid mariners off the coast. Group/Air Station North Bend has an area of responsibility which encompasses 220 miles of the Oregon coast, stretching from Pacific City, Ore., to the California border. The group is composed of six lifeboat stations, an air station, an air facility, and an aids to navigation team. The lifeboat stations are Chetco River, Umpqua River, Siuslaw River, Yaquina Bay, and Depoe Bay. The air station has five HH-65A Dolphin helicopters.

What we do: Group/Air Station North Bend conducts search and rescue, law enforcement, marine environmental protection, aids to navigation, and enforcement of federal treaties. In addition, the air station responds to calls for assistance in logging and other inland accidents. The group provides personnel, supply, administration, medical, naval and civil engineering, communications and other support functions for group units.

Accomplished Operations: In Jan. 2003, Group/Air Station North Bend rescued five fishermen from a crab boat which ran aground 1.5 miles north of the Umpqua River jetty. The Jeanette Marrie was in water to shallow to be recovered by small boat. All were hoisted by helicopter and in good condition.



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