

The mission of the Naval Air Station is to maintain and operate facilities and provide services and material to support operations of the Pacific Missile Range, the Naval Missile Center and various tenant commands.

The Naval Air Station, in support of PMR, has a population of 1236 civilians, 411 military and 200 contract personnel, with an annual budget of more than 17 million dollars.

The Air Station occupies approximately 1 million square feet of structural space in 177 buildings at Point Mugu and approximately a quarter of a million square feet of structural space in 99 buildings on San Nicolas and Santa Cruz Islands and at Port Hueneme.

The Public Works Department has a vehicle fleet totaling 1,117 units, which include automotive, weight-handling, construction and special purpose vehicles. The Public Works Department also maintains a total of 883 family housing units, of which 568 are located on the Station proper while the remaining 315 are situated on 51.35 acres about eight miles east of Point Mugu, in the City of Camarillo.

The Naval Air Station maintains two runways: runway 03/21 is 11,100 feet long and runway 09/27 is 5,500 feet long. It also is responsible for the air terminal and other air operations support facilities including structural and crash-fire protection.

The Air Operations Department has for its current aircraft inventory of two CH-3E, two UH-3A, one NSH-3A and two CH-46 helicopters in support of the assigned mission of logistics/utility, target recoveries, SAR and special flight projects. One helicopter is configured to support target retrievals utilizing the mid-air recovery system (MARS). This helicopter, NSH-3A, is the only one of its kind in the Navy and represents considerable investment and effort.

The Surface Craft Department is located at CBC, Port Hueneme, approximately seven miles from the Naval Air Station, Point Mugu. The department has on inventory of six high-speed patrol craft (two 82-foot ex-WPB's and four 85-foot AVR's) for operational support and two YFU's (converted 135-foot LCU's) for logistic support.

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