

# **812 AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

812 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

## **STATIONS**

Lake Charles, LA

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

In 1958 the 812th AC&W Squadron activated AN/FPS-3A and AN/FPS-6 radars. In 1961 the Lake Charles site was converted into a gap-filler radar site (M-125D) and an AN/FPS-18 was installed. By 1963 this AN/FPS-18 radar was no longer in service. In 1972 the Air Force constructed five

buildings at a new Lake Charles site. In the following year, TAC set up an AN/TPS-43 unit on the newly constructed search tower. Eventually, the Aerospace Defense Command assumed control of the site and placed AN/FPS-93 and AN/FPS-6 radars at the site. These radars were operated briefly by a detachment of the Houston-based 630th Radar Squadron and then by the 634th Radar Squadron. This unit subsequently was inactivated in July 1974 and activities were assumed by an element of the Southeast Air Defense Sector. The site continued operations over the next two decades with approximated twenty Air Force and civilian personnel tracking aircraft attempting to illegally enter the country.

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