

59th Naval Construction Battalion

*Historical
Information*



*“Construimus, Batuimus”
“We Build, We Fight”*



59th C.B.

NCTC - Norfolk
 ABD - Hueneme
 Ready Date - 1 Apr'43
 Left ABD - 21 Mar'43
 Location - ~~Pearl Harbor~~ - Guam

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- 2- 8-43 - Tentative assignment MAS Kaneohe.
- 2-26-43 - Entrained for Hueneme from Norfolk.
- 3-21-43 - 59th Entrained Hueneme - Destination Pearl.
- 6- 2-43 - 1 May'43 report of 59th CB - arrived Hilo, Hawaii, 30 Mar'43.
- 6- 4-43 - Entire batt of 26 officers and 1029 men arrived P.H. 29 Mar'43. This batt, with the exception of 2 off. and 113 men, was immediately placed aboard another ship and transported to Hilo, Hawaii, T.H. The remaining 2 officers and 113 men of this batt were furnished transportation to Hilo 31 Mar'43. (3 CR report A3-1-11 over 217-43 dtd 4 May'43 from Potter)
- 7-22-43 - 1 Jul'44 report of 59th CB - operating at Hilo, Hawaii.
- 2- 5-44 - 1 Jan'44 report of 59th CB - operating at Hilo and Kamuela. 21 officers and 924 men at Hilo, 3 officers and 101 men at Kamuela.
- 4-20-44 - 1 Mar'44 report of 59th CB - operating at Hilo and Kamuela, Hawaii.
- 5-10-44 - 1 Apr'44 report of 59th CB - operating at Hilo and Kamuela.
- 5-18-44 - 59th CB is in the 26th Reg. (AES 5/18/44)
- 6-16-44 - 1 May'44 report of 59th CB - turned over the operations of Hilo to the 141st CB 20 Apr'44 and reported to Pearl Harbor on 21 Apr'44 for duty.

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- 7- 7-44 - 1 Jun'44 report of 59th CB - operating at Moanalua Ridge.
- 8- 2-44 - The 59th CB was detached during Jun'44 from the 2nd Brig. for forward area service. (2nd Brig. monthly report for Jun'44)
- 10-17-44 - 1 Sep'44 report of 26th Reg. - 59th CB was detached from the 2nd Brig 6 Jun'44 and reported to the 26th Reg. and 5th Brig. on 28 Jul'44.
- 10-18-44 - The 59th CB is operating with the 3rd Amph. Corps Task Group 56.2 which is operating in the Guam and Siapan area - 59th CB consists of 25 off. and 555 men in this operation. (Sec. memo from F-48(U.S. Fleet, Navy Dept., Wash. DC) to Sec. Mail Rec dtd 15 Sep'44).
- 10-18-44 - June and July report ^{of the 59th CB} dtd 30 Aug - During the first six days of June, 75% of the batt was engaged directly or indirectly on ship loading details. The balance of the month of June and the entire month of July was spent with the entire batt in transit to forward area.
- 10-18-44 - 1 Sep'44 report of 59th CB - location not stated.
- 10-25-44 - 1 Sep'44 report of 5th Brig. - 60% of 59th CB landed on 3 Aug'44 (other 30% came in July) (Guam)
- 10-30-44 - 1 Oct'44 report of 59th CB - no info on location except that batt is operating in area of Orote Peninsula. Report endorsed by 26th Reg.
- 11-11-44 - The 59th CB is located at Guam. (Is. Com. Sec. airmailgram to CWO 011201 WOR 14731 dtd 6 Nov'44).
- 11-29-44 - 1 Nov'44 report of 59th CB - no info on location. Report endorsed by 26th Reg.
- 12-29-44 - 1 Dec'44 report of 59th CB - no info on location. Report endorsed by 26th Reg.
- 1-26-45 - 1 Jan'45 report of the 59th CB - located on Guam. Report endorsed by 26th Reg.
- 1-30-45 - The 59th CB is located East of Agat on Guam. (5th Brg. War Diary 1 Dec thru 31 Dec'44).

- 2-28-45 - 1 Feb'45 report of the 59th CB, located at Guam. Report endorsed by 26th Reg. Ltr of commendation from USCG Const Det. CHARLIN on work done by the 59th and 56th CBs on Cocos Is. and at Ritidian Point, Guam.
- 3-23-45 - 1 Mar'45 report of the 59th CB - located at Guam.
- 4-10-45 - The 59th CB is located E of Agat (Guam) (5th Brg. War Diary 1 Feb to 28 Feb'45).
- 4-16-45 - The 59th CB is located N.E. of Agat and is attached to the 26th Reg. (5th Brg War Diary of 1 Apr'45)
- 4-19-45 - 1 Apr'45 report of the 59th CB - located on Guam. Report routed via 26th Reg. and 5th Brg.
- 5-19-45 - 1 May'45 report of the 59th CB - located at Guam. Report routed via 26th Reg. and 5th Brg. 204 men were transferred to Parks for leave and reassignment.
- 5-22-45 - 1 May'45 report of the 26th Reg - the 59th CB is attached to the 26th Reg. 204 men from 59th CB left on rotation leave & 93 replacements were received on board in Apr
- 6-15-45 - 1 Jun'45 report of 59th CB - located at Guam. Report routed via 26th Reg & 5th Brig
- 7-19-45 - 1 Jul'45 report of the 59th CB - located at Guam. Report via 26th Reg and 5th Brg.
- 7-20-45 - 1 Jul'45 report of the 26th Reg states that the 59th CB received 86 men as replacements and 29 men were returned to U.S. for rotation leave during Jun'45.
- 8-17-45 - 1 Aug'45 report of the 59th CB - located at Guam. Report via 26th Reg & 5th Brig.
- 8-31-45 - Comservpac requests approval to inactivate 27th Reg, 41st CB, 59th CB & 76th CB. (Comservpac conf disp 291935 to Cincpac).
- 9-11-45 - Inactivation of following CB units approved Comservpac disps 291935, 290051 & 290007 all Aug 1 - 41, 48, 59 & 76 CBs, 27 th Reg - Guam. (Cincpac conf spdltr ser 032559 dtd 4 Sept'45 to Comservpac).

Location-

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- 9-19-45 - 1 Sept'45 report of 59th CB. No info as to location. Report via 26th Reg & 5th Brig.
- 9-20-45 - 1 Sept'45 report of 26th Reg. 53 men rec'd as replacements in Aug. 121 men rotated during Aug. 25 men discharged for overage. 59th CB is expected to be inactivated by 10 Sept'45.
- 9-28-45 - Inactivation report of 59th CB - report via 25th Brig & 26th Reg. 59th CB was inactivated on 15 Sept'45. Pers. transferred to other units under the 5th Brig. (Report dtd 18 Sept'45 to BuDocks(conf) ser 2091).
- 9-29-45 - Comservpac directs Commarians to inactivate immediately the following units:- 27th Reg - 41, 48, 59 & 76 CBs all at Guam. Transfer all pers with 18 months or more overseas duty to a continental rec. sta. for leave. Transfer balance of pers. from Guam units to 5th Brig FPA. Inform Comservpac when inactivation is completed. (Comservpac conf spdltr ser 05173 dtd 11 Sept'45 to Commarians).
- 10-17-45 - 59th CB inactivated on 15 Sept'45. (OinC, 59th CB conf ltr ser 2091 dtd 18 Sept'45 to BuDocks).

INACTIVATED

Date	Organization	Location	Reference	Notes
5/31/44	-	Hilo, Hawaii Oahu	-	Left U. S. March 1943.
7/19	-	Hilo, Hawaii ADIT	C. B. report 1 July 1944	
9/14	-	Huam	C. B. report 1 September	
11/10	-	DuVA (Huam)	20 Com Huam sec act dis. 011201 NW.	
8/30	-	-	Comdesupac sec 291935 Aug	request approval to inactivate.

ON BOARD

DATE	OFFICERS	MEN	AUTHORITY
1 Jun'44	32	1078	MoR
1 Aug'44	33	1074	BNP625
1 Sep'44	34	1074	MoR
1 Oct'44	32	1072	MoR
1 Nov'44	34	1064	MOR
1 Dec'44	33	1064	MoR
1 Jan'45	33	1059	MoR
1 Feb'45	28	1055	MoR
1 Mar'45	28	1043	MoR
1 Apr'45	27	1052	BNP625 & MoR
1 May'45	28	946	BNP625 & R
1 Jun'45	30	966	BNP625 & R
1 Jul'45	28	972	BNP625 & R
1 Aug'45	29	929	BNP625 & R
1 Sept'45		717	BNP625

HISTORY
59th NAVAL CONSTRUCTION
BATTALION

Commissioned at Norfolk, Va., on December 29, 1942, the 59th Battalion left Norfolk February 26, 1943, and arrived at Hueneme on March 4. Leaving there March 21, the outfit sailed from San Francisco March 24. The Battalion arrived at Hilo, Hawaii, on the morning of March 30, with the exception of 2 officers and 113 men, who arrived on April 2. Activity began the following day on construction of roads so material could be brought in for immediate construction of barracks, mess hall, etc. When the Battalion arrived at Hilo, many men had to live in army huts. A record was made in transferring a shipload of lumber by working on a 24 hour basis. The Battalion was able to put the ship in position for reloading in less than 5 days, which involved handling more than 1 and a quarter million feet of lumber per day.

The Battalion's assignment was to construct a Naval Air Station at Hilo, to be operated jointly with the army and utilizing certain existing army installations. Some damage was done, though not serious, when a tornado hit Hilo and the air base on May 5.

In the year of construction work at NAS Hilo, the 59th CB learned methods of coping with unusual earth and foundation conditions which were encountered. Much terrain was composed of hard lava rock.

The major portion of the assignment for Hilo consisted of the widening of two 7,000 foot runways, and their paving with asphaltic concrete, the building of enlisted men's barracks, mess hall and galley, BOQ's, officers' mess and club, dispensary, warehouses, nose hangars, shops, ten 50,000 gallon prestressed concrete fuel tanks, water and electrical distribution systems, sanitary sewer system, operations buildings, administration buildings, access roads, ammunition, magazines and bomb storage hardstands. Buildings were largely of wood frame construction with concrete decks. More than one million cubic yards of lava rock, of which 90 percent required blasting, was moved. One hundred thousand tons of asphaltic concrete was mixed and placed on the widening of the runways and eight miles of access roads.

The base was put into operation two months ahead of schedule.

Coincidental with the work at NAS, a 20,000 man Marine Camp was built at Kamuela; water storage facilities were installed for the Coast Guard at Kailua; an emergency landing strip was put in usable operation at Suiter Field. A considerable amount of dredging was done in Hilo Harbor and storage buildings were erected for the Marine 6th Base Depot.

On September 15, 1943 Battalion Seabees rescued an Army fighter pilot from his burning plane. Two men of the 59th, MILNER, Raymond Edward PhM2c (273 South 4th East, Salt Lake City) and OLSEN, Allen Burns CM3c (Mt. Pleasant, Utah), returning from a movie at Hilo, Hawaii, reached the army airport just as the plane crashed on the field almost directly in front of them. They plunged through the flames and in the face of exploding ammunition, the two Seabees hoisted the fighter pilot, 2nd Lieut. Robert M Anderson out of the burning plane. The pilot, from the 72nd Fighter Squadron, AAF, recovered and resumed his duties as a combat flier.

Battalion Commander Paul L. Andrews read the citation signed by Admiral Nimitz in a ceremony on March 25, 1944, which took place in the wardroom of the Battalion's BOQ. The citation which was identical for both recipients, follows:

"For extraordinary heroism on 14 September 1943, when he rescued an army Fighter Pilot from a burning plane which had crashed and burst into flames in making a night landing. He, assisted by another sailor and with utter disregard for his own safety, rushed to the burning plane, released the unconscious pilot and carried him to the safety amid exploding ammunition from the plane's magazine. He received burns on his legs, hands, and face. His courage throughout this episode was in keeping with the highest traditions of the naval service."

The 59th NCB was incorporated, in November 1943, as an integral part of the defense of the Hilo airport by military authorities on the island, because of transfer of army personnel. Seabees manned 2 anti aircraft positions, and the Battalion was organized so that all its automatic weapons were employed in beach defense positions. The same month the Battalion won 3 league championships in baseball, defeating all comers in the service leagues in the area.

The 59th NCB continued construction work on various projects at NAS Hilo and for Marine Camp A near Kamuela through March 1944, completing radio towers, administration building, warehouse, runway, paving, shops and vaults, assisted by the 99th NCB and available Marines. The 59th was relieved of duty at Hilo Hawaii by the 141st NCB about 18 April 1944. On April 21 the Battalion moved from Hilo to Pearl Harbor and upon arrival, began training and preparation for a forward movement. The Battalion sailed from Pearl Harbor in three echelons, leaving June 1, June 6, and June 18. The first echelon landed on Guam 27 July (which was D plus 6) with the first echelon of the garrison forces. Remaining units landed on July 30, August 2, 3, 10, 14 and 18.

Two men, CORLEY, J. W. CM1c 575 03 67 and Aliegra, F. C., CM1c 244 46 72, in the group which landed on Guam on July 27 from LST 71, received shrapnel wounds as a result of enemy action.

A major invasion assignment at GUAM was the rehabilitation of the island water systems. The Alamagosa water system, which was the largest and most important, was very badly damaged. The system was repaired with the use of salvaged materials, and put back into operation on D-plus-45 for service of some 60,000 personnel, besides furnishing 30,000,000 gallons of water per month to the fleet.

The assembling of pontoon docks and barges was another invasion assignment. The first dock in Apra Harbor was completed on D-plus-30, the SS HAUSIE being the first ship to dock.

Other invasion assignments included road and bridge reconstruction, camp construction, ship unloading and beach parties.

Major projects completed after the island was secure included:

- 1) Construction of Naval Supply Depot. This work consisted of the moving of 1,000,000 cubic yards of coral, the installation of a complete underground drainage system, erection of 263 40 - 100 SSAR warehouses with concrete decks, 2 102 x 500 wood frame transit warehouses, construction of an officers' camp, a 6,000-man enlisted men's camp and galley, office buildings, and other minor

work pertinent thereto. The Island Supply Officer, in a letter to Island Commander (31 July 1945) commended the excellent services rendered by the 59th for construction of the NSD, copies of which were sent to the Battalion Commander, 26th Regiment commander, and 5th Brigade commander.

2) Waterfront construction. This work included the assembling of 9 pontoon cargo docks in accordance with invasion plans for vital Apra Harbor cargo operations. Five of these docks were installed by the 59th, while the remaining four were installed by other battalions. During August there was sniper activity in the Battalion's working and camp areas, and one Japanese combatant was killed by personnel of the Battalion.

A typhoon in October of 1944 completely destroyed 7 of the 9 docks, and temporarily halted the discharge of cargo. This necessitated priority reconstruction of the destroyed docks, 3 of which were rebuilt by the 59th to insure early resumption of cargo discharging.

3) Concrete Pipe Plant. A plant was constructed from which 40,000 linear feet of bell and spigot precast concrete pipe was produced in sizes ranging from 8 to 18 inches.

4) Other construction work included construction at the Aviation Supply Depot, the Naval Operating Base Officers' and enlisted men's camps (complete with water borne sanitary sewers) the sanitary and storm sewerage system for the 2,000-bed Naval Base Hospital No. 18, the operation and expansion of the Alamagosa water system, and operation of the 26-acre ABCD annex of S Sumay, plus assigned sections of road construction and maintenance. Numerous small construction projects, ranging from grading and road work to camp and industrial building construction were completed.

During December 1944 LAWRIES, Stewart Henry CM 1c 386 22 28 USNR was hiking in the hills about 2 miles north of the Maanot Reservoir, Guam, and came upon 2 Japanese in what appeared to be their hideout. Lawrie ran to the reservoir, a Marine patrol was called which joined him at the reservoir and in the hour that followed, the patrol established contact with the Japanese killing them both, Lawrie being responsible for one.

The 59th NCB terminated construction operations 31 August 1945, (with no surplus materials on hand) on receipt of verbal de-commissioning from the 5th Construction Brigade. On 15 September 1945 the 59th NCB was inactivated at Guam.

From commissioning until May 19, 1944, the Battalion Commander was COMMANDER PAUL L. ANDREWS, CEC, USNR. Therafter the 59th's Commander was LCDR EARL W. CHIDESTER CEC, USNR, File 235783, Date of rank 7-12-43; address 31 Overhill Road, Fairmont, West Va.

1 DEC 1944

ROSTER OF OFFICERS

59th NCB

CDR Sutelan, H. E. M. C. File 72786 - - - - - Sr. Medical
LCDR Chidester, E. W. C. E. C. 235783 - - Officer in Charge Date of Rank 7-13-43
LCDR Enger, W. M. - - - - - Executive Officer
LT Friedrich, G. W. - - - - - Chaplain
LT Hofrichter, J. F. - - - - - Dental
LT Stroud, C. C. - - - - - C. O. Company "C"
LT Lee, H. B. - - - - - Operations
LT Henson, K. W. - - - - - C. O. Company "B"
LT Ramey, J. K. - - - - - C. O. Company "A"
LT Fitz-Gerald, D. B. - - - - - Jr. Medical
LT Scharnberg, R. L. - - - - - Asst. Grading
LT Perrin, L. B. - - - - - Waterfront Construction
LTJG O'Connor, J. X. - - - - - Asst. Opr. Sumay Annex (ABCD)
LTJG Page, J. M. - - - - - C. O. Company "D" (Act)
LTJG Del Favero, A. J. - - - - - Buildings
LTJG Ochse, J. N. - - - - - C. O. Company "Hq"
LTJG Minasian, R. C. - - - - - Adjutant
LTJG Ferber, R. A. - - - - - Personnel
LTJG Mindemann, K. T. - - - - - Supply
LTJG Piatelli, L. P. - - - - - Asst. Engineering
ENS Manning, J. J., Jr. - - - - - Asst. Grading Const.
ENS Schandeimeyer, J. F. - - - - - Asst. Buildings
ENS Cherry, W. H. - - - - - Disbursing
CHCARP Murphy, V. J. - - - - - Commissary
CHCARP Wright, H. A. - - - - - Asst. Opr. Sumay Annex (ABCD)
MACH Eva, W. R. - - - - - Transportation
CARP Alexander, R. N. - - - - - Asst. Waterfront Const.
CARP Kerlin, H. "R". - - - - - Asst. Grading
CARP Morgan, D. D. - - - - - Asst. Buildings
CARP Rinkert, G. L. - - - - - Asst. Transportation
CARP Rosenbaum, G. A. - - - - - Asst. Utilities
CARP Gillis, E. T. - - - - - Asst. Waterfront Const.
CARP Howard, S. (n) - - - - - Buildings
CARP Ruth, E. E.

CHRONOLOGY OF THE
U. S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION 59

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FIGURE 1. N.S.D. GUAM M.I. APRIL 1945

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FIFTY-NINTH U. S. NAVAL CONSTRUCTION BATTALION

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 22 Mar 1943 - Arrived San Francisco, California
 24 Mar 1943 - Departed San Francisco, California
 29 Mar 1943 - Arrived at Pearl Harbor
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 30 Mar 1943 - Arrived at Hilo, Hawaii (also operated at Kamuela, Hawaii during stay at Hilo)
 20 Apr 1944 - Departed fr Hilo, Hawaii
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 1 Jun 1944 - 17% of Battalion departed fr Pearl Harbor
 6 Jun 1944 - 75% of Battalion departed fr Pearl Harbor
 18 Jun 1944 - 8% (Balance) of Battalion departed fr Pearl Harbor
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 30 Jul 1944 - 6% of Battalion landed on Guam
 2 Aug 1944 - 6% of Battalion landed on Guam
 3 Aug 1944 - 38% of Battalion landed on Guam
 10 Aug 1944 - 13% of Battalion landed on Guam
 14 Aug 1944 - 7% of Battalion landed on Guam
 18 Aug 1944 - 13% (Balance) of Battalion landed on Guam
 28 May 1945 - Battalion still located on Guam

Certified a true copy:

E. W. Chidester

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 Lieut. Comdr., CEC, USNR.
 Officer in Charge, 59th USNB

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