Aids to Navigation Team
Astoria

**Active Duty Personnel:** 9  
**Reserve Personnel:** 3  
**Civilian Personnel:** 0

**Mailing Address:**
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**Established:** Aids to Navigation Team Astoria was created when regional Aids to Navigation teams were consolidated to establish a central server for their area of responsibility. The facility is located at Tongue Point, which is three miles east of Astoria, Ore., along the Columbia River. The facility is comprised of nine buildings and a pier on 10 acres of property. A chief boatswains mate is in charge of the unit.

**What we do:** Aids to Navigation Team Astoria has a large area of responsibility which extends from Cape Flattery, Wash., south to Cape Mears, Ore., and approximately 150 miles of the Columbia River from the entrance east to Hood River, Ore. Aids to Navigation Team Astoria is in charge of maintaining the entire Tongue Point property. The unit also fills the role of a support unit in which it loads and unloads buoys and other equipment for the 13th District buoy quality assurance expert, the Coast Guard Cutter Fir, and other visiting Coast Guard cutters. In assisting sport and commercial fishing vessels to navigate safely, Aids to Navigation Team Astoria maintains six lighthouses, 280 primary minor aids, 270 secondary minor aids and an assortment of private navigational aids.

**Accomplished Operation:** Approximately 29 million short tons of supplies are transported aboard 2,700 sea going vessels that transit the area of responsibility and utilize the Coast Guard navigational aids. This figure does not include military vessels, oceangoing tugs, barges, commercial fishing and recreational boats that also make use of the navigational aids.