

MARINE WING SUPPORT SQUADRON OF THE YEAR



THE JAMES E. HATCH AWARD

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Established in Honor of Colonel James E. Hatch, Designer of the Marine Wing Support Group and its Subordinate Squadrons.

In Recognition of The Most Outstanding Wing Support Squadron that Provides Ground Support to Aviation and Enhances the Combat Capability of Marine Aviation by Furnishing Transportation, Engineering, and Communication Essentials.



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MWSS-274



Award Citation

MWSS-274 provided superior aviation ground support to 2d MAW, Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point, and 3d MAW (Fwd), Helmand province, Afghanistan, while preparing for and conducting combat service support operations from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010. During their training in the Enhanced Mojave Viper exercise, the Ironmen successfully constructed a landing strip and four landing pads in conjunction with their pre-deployment training package. While deployed for six months in support of Operation Enduring Freedom, the squadron provided seamless aviation ground support to more than ten operational units on four forward operating bases and numerous combat outposts. The squadron was called upon to design, construct, and repair multiple large-scale expeditionary airfields and tactical helicopter landing zones, thus successfully building and extending the aviation combat power of 3D MAW (Fwd). By a proven record of expeditionary service, MWSS-274 has reflected great credit upon itself and upheld the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.



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2010	MWSS-371	2000	MWSS-273
2009	MWSS-273	1999	MWSS-371
2008	MWSS-171	1998	MWSS-271
2007	MWSS-273	1997	MWSS-172
2006	MWSS-372	1996	MWSS-274
2005	MWSS-273	1995	MWSS-172
2004	MWSS-374	1994	MWSS-174
2003	MWSS-373	1993	MWSS-373
2002	MWSS-172	1992	MWSS-271
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