

PRIMARY SOURCE INFORMATION

**SALTON SEA BOMB TARGET (FBT 13) (#54)
J09CA018400**

MAR 11/57
(230126) (mc)

Subject: Land and Water Targets - Numbering of.

5. Land targets near the coastline will bear numbers from 30 to 50.

<u>Present Name of Target</u>	<u>New Number</u>
Lake Lodge 5	
Lake Lodge 6	30
Miramar Miramar	31
Obay Obay	32
Tomocula #1	33
Tomocula #2	34
Trabuco 1 Trabuco	35
Trabuco 2	36
Trabuco 3	37

Numbers 38 to 50 available for assignment to new targets.

6. Targets in the desert area other than Rocket Targets will bear numbers from 50 to 70.

<u>Present Name of Target</u>	<u>New Number</u>
Alton Sea	50
Alton Sea #1	51
Alton Sea #2	52
Alton Sea #3	53
Alton Sea #4	54
Alton Sea #5	55
Alton Sea #6	56
Alton Sea #7	57
Alton Sea #8	58
Alton Sea #9	59
Alton Sea #10	60
Alton Sea #11	61
Alton Sea #12	62
Alton Sea #13	63
Alton Sea #14	64
Alton Sea #15	65
Alton Sea #16	66
Alton Sea #17	67
Alton Sea #18	68
Alton Sea #19	69
Alton Sea #20	70
Alton Sea #21	71
Alton Sea #22	72
Alton Sea #23	73
Alton Sea #24	74
Alton Sea #25	75
Alton Sea #26	76
Alton Sea #27	77

Numbers from 78 to 90 available for assignment to new targets.

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Subj: Land and Water Targets - Numbering of.

7. Rocket Targets regardless of location will bear numbers from 90 on.

Present Name of Target

New Number

Winona #1	90
Winona #2	91
El Centro #1	92
El Centro #2	93
Holtville 1R	94
Holtville 2R	95
King #1	96
King #2	97
29 Palms #1	98
29 Palms #2	99
29 Palms #3	100
Mojave 1	101
Trabuco Rocket	102

Numbers from 103 on available for assignment to new rocket targets.

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UNITED STATES PACIFIC FLEET
AIR FORCE
FLEET AIR, WEST COAST

Naval Air Station
San Diego, California,

December 5, 1942.

From: Commander Fleet Air, West Coast.
To : Commandant, ELEVENTH Naval District.

Subject: Floating Type Horizontal Bombing Targets.

1. It is requested that the five (5) floating type horizontal bombing targets located at the Section Base, San Diego, be assigned to the Naval Air Station, San Diego, California, for installation in the Salton Sea. These targets are requested for immediate location in the Salton Sea and are in addition to the three piling type targets and the skip-bombing target previously requested.

2. The five (5) subject targets were built approximately two and one-half years ago and have not been used to date. Arrangements for transportation and installation of these targets will be made with Naval Air Station, San Diego, California.

/s/ C. A. FOWNALL
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NAS, San Diego.

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AIRCRAFT
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTOR
WESTERN SEA FRONTIER

24 August, 1944

Eleventh Naval District
San Diego, California

AIRCRAFT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SECTOR, WESTERN SEA FRONTIER
CIRCULAR LETTER NUMBER 20-44

From: Commander Aircraft, Southern California Sector, Western
Sea Frontier.
To : AIRCRAFT, Southern California Sector, Western Sea Frontier.
Subj: Bombing Targets in Southern California Sector, Western Sea
Frontier.

1. Enclosure (1) contains the position and description of all bombing targets in the Southern California Sector of the Western Sea Frontier, together with a statement of the type of bombing runs permitted and the type of ordnance permitted.
2. Certain bombing targets listed in enclosure (1) are not in commission as yet. A notam will be issued when such targets are commissioned.
3. The targets listed in enclosure (1) shall be used solely by the units to whom they are assigned by Joint Operations Center, San Diego (Naval Air Control Center). The unit to whom the target is assigned, however, may permit another unit to use such target. When such permission is given, Air Control Center shall be advised by teletype.
4. Where areas, targets, and landing fields are assigned by Joint Operations Center, San Diego, to more than one unit, the senior naval aviator of the units assigned the same areas, targets and landing fields shall coordinate the schedules except in cases where the assignments specify the hours a unit is to use such area, target or landing field.
5. It is frequently necessary to conduct air and surface firing and other surface operations in the same areas. All units must exercise caution. Aerial gunnery above an overcast is not permitted.
6. No dummy runs are to be made on any target declared closed.
7. Water filled bombs over 100 pounds may not be used on water bombing targets or land skip bombing targets.
8. Units desiring to drop live bombs must notify Joint Operations Center, San Diego at least 24 hours in advance.
9. The following targets can be illuminated: Otay on request to Naval Auxiliary Air Station, Brown Field, all Salton Sea targets on request to

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Sea Frontier.

Naval Auxiliary Air Station Salton Sea and Holtville one (1) and two (2)
on request to Naval Auxiliary Air Station Holtville.

10. Squadrons must observe provisions of Fleet Air Detachment Circular
Letters 25-43 and 22-44.

By direction of ComAirSOCPac, WSP.

Enc-(1) Position & Description
of Bombing Targets.

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Deputy Commander

NAME	POSITION	DESCRIPTION	TYPE OF BOYBING RUN	TYPE OF ORDNANCE
WBT A	32-32-10 117-12-30	Radar-rigged Pyramid	Bombing runs must be conducted at an alt. not to exceed 700 ft. Actual releases at 200 feet.	Practice Bombs
WBT B	33-01-10 117-19-50	Radar Rigged Pyramid	Low level (see WBT A)	Practice bombs
Borego Hotel BT	33-05-30 116-06-06	Concentric Circles	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
Borego Wash BT	33-11-15 115-09-15	Concentric circles with airplane silhouette adjacent to target for strafing only	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
WBT C	33-26-00 117-11-30	Radar-rigged Pyramid	Low-level (see WBT A)	Practice bombs
Catalina BT	33-10-50 118-25-10	Concentric circles	Dive Bombing	Practice bombs
Clarks Dry Lake BT	33-20-24 116-16-18	Concentric circles simulated submarine	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
Cortes Bank WBT	32-28-45 119-12-50	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice bombs
Coyote Wells BT	32-56-00 115-52-30	Circle - simulated Destroyer deck	High Altitude and Dive bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
WBT D	33-37-27 118-01-00	Radar-rigged Pyramid	Low-level (see WBT A)	Practice bombs
WBT E	34-01-00 118-36-00	Radar-rigged Pyramid	Low-level (see WBT A)	Practice bombs
East Borego BT	33-01-00 115-57-25	Circle	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
Holtville BT 1	32-55-15 115-12-30	Concentric circles	Dive Bombing	Practice bombs and strafe
Holtville BT 2	33-01-30 115-18-30	Concentric circles	Low-level	Rocketry
Holtville BT 3	33-09-00 115-22-05	Concentric circles	Dive Bombing	Practice bombs

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Holtville I R	32-54-15 115-15-30	Concentric circles	Low-level	Rocket
Lake Hodges BT	33-00-55 117-08-15	Concentric circles simulated destroyer deck	Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
Kane Springs SBT	33-04-10 115-17-15	Radar-triggered fence	Low-level	Miniature Bombs and strafe
Miramar BT	32-54-00 117-07-00	Concentric circles	Runs must be made so that pull-outs will be in northerly direction and then operating below 5000 feet. Will remain north of an east-west line drawn through the field to avoid conflict with traffic on Camp Kearney field.	Practice Bombs
Ocotillo Mobile and Stationary BT	33-08-08 116-07-09	Concentric circles	Dive bombing	Practice Bombs
Otay BT	32-35-00 116-55-45	Concentric circles simulated destroyer deck	Dive bombing	Practice bombs
Ranoma BT	33-02-00 116-54-48	Concentric circles simulated destroyer deck	Dive bombing	Practice bombs
ALTON SEA SBT	33-15-15 115-49-15	Screamed raft-radar	Low-level	Practice bombs (Target closed for repairs 0001 to 2000 each Monday.)
FBT 11	33-18-15 115-31-15	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs
FBT 12	33-21-30 115-58-15	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs
FBT 13	33-28-15 116-58-15	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice bombs
FBT 14	33-29-30 115-52-00	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs

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FBT 15	33-27-00	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 16	115-52-30	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 17	33-23-30	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 17	115-48-15	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 17	33-20-15	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 17	115-45-00	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 18	33-17-30	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 18	115-40-30	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 19	33-15-15	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 19	115-37-00	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
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FBT 21	32-53-23	Concentric circles and rectangle	Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 21	118-29-13	rectangle	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 5	32-54-55	Pyramid	Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 5	118-27-42	Rock	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs and Strafe
FBT 6	33-02-10	Rock	Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 6	118-36-45	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 6	32-49-57	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 6	118-21-17	Pyramid	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice Bombs
Franco BT	33-37-45	X east target a destroyer masthead	Dive and glide Bombing	Five pound practice bombs only
Franco BT	117-36-00	Y center target a circle Z west target a circle	Dive and glide Bombing	Practice Bombs
FBT 1	32-27-00	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 1	117-10-30	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 2	32-22-45	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 2	117-09-18	Radar-rigged	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 3	32-17-34	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
FBT 3	117-09-30	Pyramid	Low-level	Practice Bombs
Winona BT 1	33-13-30	Concentric Circles	Low-level	Rockets
Winona BT 1	115-58-15	Concentric Circles	Low-level	Rockets
Winona BT 2	33-13-30	Concentric Circles	Low-level	Rockets
Winona BT 2	115-00-30	Concentric Circles	Low-level	Rockets
Alison Rock BT	34-06-30	Rock	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice and Live Bombs and Strafe
Alison Rock BT	120-24-12	Rock	High Altitude and Dive Bombing	Practice and Live Bombs and Strafe