

**US Naval Forces
Tanahmerah Bay, Humboldt Bay, Aitape
22 April 1944**

Task Force 77: Rear Admiral D.E.Barbey
USS Blue Ridge
Task Group 77.1 (Western Attack Force): Rear Admiral
D.E.Barbey
USS Swanson (DD)
Transport Group:
USS H.T.Allen
USS Manoora
USS Kanimbla
USS Carter Hall
USS Triangulum
LCIs: LCDR J.Hurndall.
15 LCIs
LST's: CDR T.C.Green
7 LSTs
Destroyers: CDR W.S.Veeder
USS Hobby (DD610)
USS Nicholson (DD442)
USS Wilkes (DD441)
USS Grayson (DD435)
USS Gillespie (DD609)
USS Kalk (DD611)
Special Service Vessels: Captain N.D.Brantley
Reserve: LCDR G.A.Keith, RANVR
1 AT
2 SCs
1 LCI
2 YMSs
Beachmaster Unit No. 3: LCDR E.R.Hollran

Task Group 77.2 Central Attack Group Rear Admiral W.M.Fechteler
USS Reid (DD369)
Transports: CDR A.V.Knight RANR
USS Westralia (APA)
USS Guston Hall (LSD)
USS Ganymede (AK)
USS Brooks (DD232)
USS Gilmer (DD233)
USS Herbert (DD160)
USS Humphreys (DD 236)
USS Sands (DD243)
LCI Group: CDR H.F.McGee
16 LCIs
LSTs: Captain R.M.Scruggs
7 LSTs
Destroyers: Captain R.F.Stout
USS Roe (DD418)
USS Radford (DD446)
USS Stevenson (DD503)
USS Stockton (DD504)
USS Thorn (DD505)

USS Taylor (DD468)
USS Welles (DD628)
Special Service Vessels: Captain B.Anderson
USS Hovey (DMS11)
USS Long (DMS12)
USS Sonoma
2 LCIs
2 YMSs
2 SCs
Beachmaster Unit No. 4: LT(jg) E.J.Zinzer

Task Group 77.3, Eastern Attack Group: Captain A.G.Noble
Transports CDR D.L.Mattie

USS Kilty
USS Ward
USS Crosby
USS Dickenson
USS Talbot
USS Schley
USS Kane
USS Dent
USS Noa
USS Epping Forest
USS Etamin

LSTs: LCDR D.M.Baker
7 LSTs

Destroyers Captain W.D.Chandler

USS Hopewell (DD681)
USS Howorth (DD592)
USS Jenkins (DD447)
USS Nicholas (DD449)
USS O'Bannon (DD450)

Special Service Vehicles: Captain J.W.Jamison

USS Hamilton (DMS18)
USS Perry (DMS17)
USS Chetco
4 SCs
2 YMSs

Beachmaster Unit No. 5 LT(jg) M.H.Williams

Task Force 78 (Escort Carrier Force): Rear Admiral R.E.Davidson

Task Group TG 78.1: Rear Admiral V. Ragsdale

USS Sangamon (CVE26)
USS Suwanee (CVE27)
USS Chenango (CVE28)
USS Santee (CVE29)

Destroyers:

USS Anderson (DD411)
USS Ellet (DD398)
USS Hughes (DD410)
USS Lansdowne (DD486)
USS Lardner (DD487)
USS Morris (DD417)
USS Mustin (DD413)
USS Russell (DD414)

Task Group 78.2: Rear Admiral R.E.Davison

USS Natoma Bay (CVE62)
USS Coral Sea (later Anzio) (CVE57)
USS Corregidor (CVE58)
USS Manila Bay (CVE61)

Destroyers

USS Abbot (DD692)
USS Bullard (DD660)
USS Black (DD666)
USS Chauncey (DD667)
USS Erben (DD631)
USS Hale (DD642)
USS Kidd (DD661)
USS Stembel (DD644)
USS Walker (DD517)

Task Force 74 (Covering Force): Rear Admiral R.S.Berkey

USS Phoenix (CA46)
USS Boise (CA47)
USS Nashville (CA43)
USS Abner Read (DD526)
USS Bache (DD470)
USS Beale (DD471)
USS Bush (DD529)
USS Daly (DD519)
USS Hutchins (DD476)

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