

# Naval Special Warfare

**Selecting and training operators  
that will be prepared to simultaneously serve as  
shooters, diplomats and aid workers**

# Naval Special Warfare Community

**7,252 ~ Active Duty Personnel**

**3,204 Operators (SEAL/SWCC)**

**4,048 Support Personnel**

**1021 ~ Civilian Personnel**

**696 ~ Reserve Personnel**

**8,273 Total ~ 1.8% of Total Navy Manpower**

# NSW Operational Units

## SEAL Teams

(10 / 2)



- Special Reconnaissance
- Direct Action
- Unconventional Warfare
- Foreign Internal Defense
- Combating Terrorism
- Limited sustainment
- Light armament & firepower
- Require infil / exfil support

## SEAL Delivery Vehicle Teams

(Active / Reserve)

(1 / 0)

### Dry Deck Shelter (DDS)



ASDS

SDV



### SDV / ASDS:

- Direct Action
- Special Reconnaissance
- Infil / Exfil
- True clandestine insertion capability
- Limited speed & distance (SDV-wet submersible)
- Environmental limitations (sea state, temp, - SDV)
- Requires detailed coordination

## Special Boat Teams

(3 / 0)

### Rigid Inflatable Boat (RIB)



SOC-R



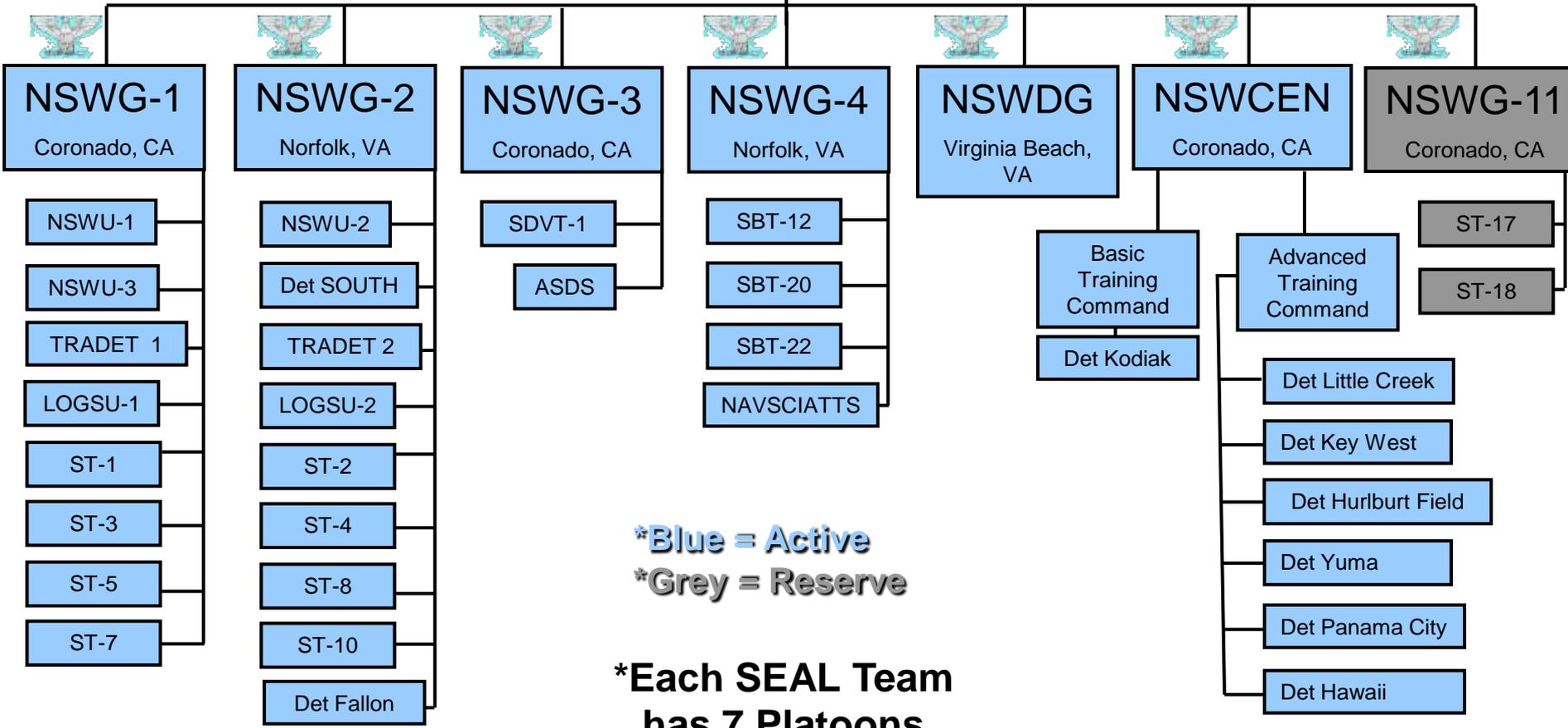
Mk V

- Infil / Exfil / Support / ISR
- RIB: Primarily Short Range
- Mk V: Medium Range
- SOC-R: Riverine Craft
- Range (Type dependent)
- Fuel requirements
- Support base required - extended deployments

# NSW Task Organization



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\*Blue = Active

\*Grey = Reserve

**\*Each SEAL Team has 7 Platoons**

# Naval Special Warfare Center Mission



1. **Select, train, and qualify men to become SEALs and SWCC**
2. **Provide advanced individual skills training to the NSW community**

# Naval Special Warfare Center

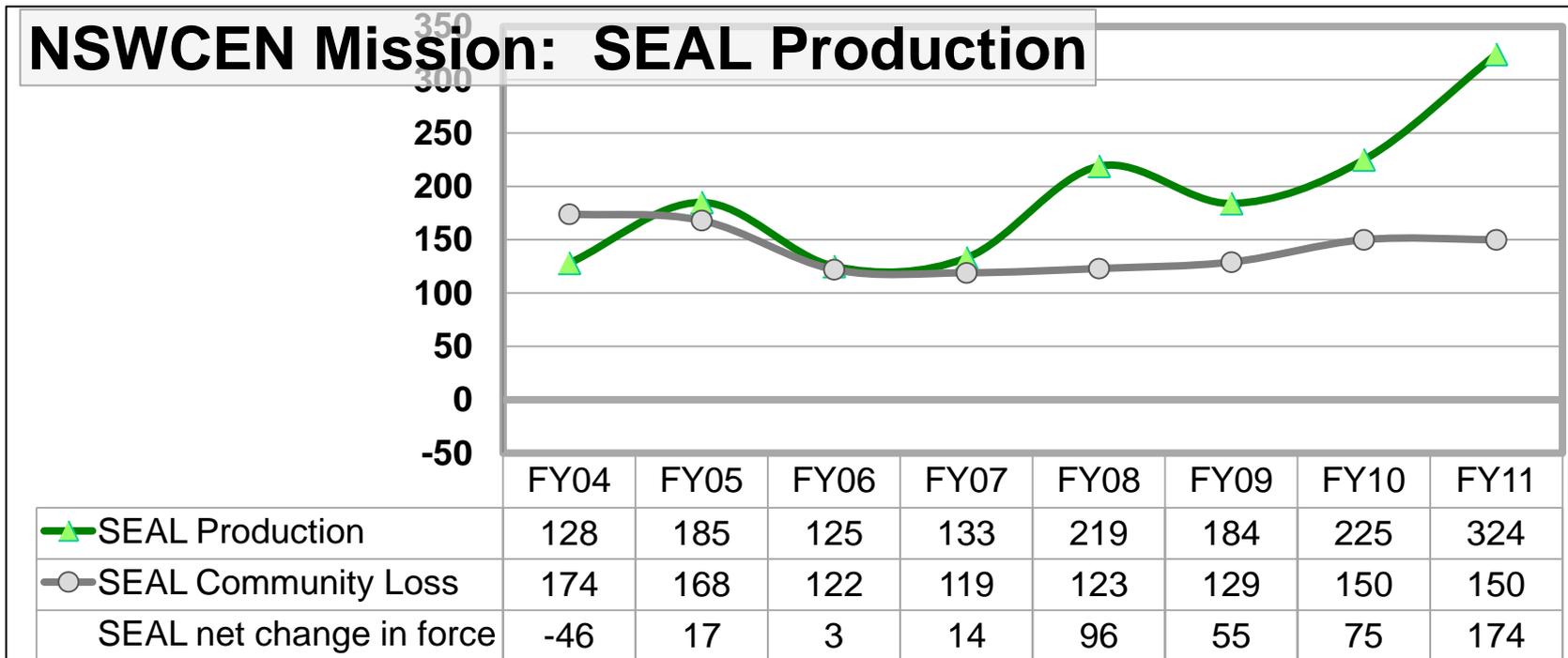
- 700+ Command Members
- 2 Subordinate O-5 Commands
- 16 Geographic locations
- 1500+ Basic students/FY
- 4000+ Advanced students/FY
- 80 Courses of Instruction
- O-5 Education Directorate



# NSWCEN Mission: SEAL and SWCC Production

- **SEAL:**

- Historic highs in recruiting (~1300) and production (~220)
- Prolific production projection (340 / FY11)

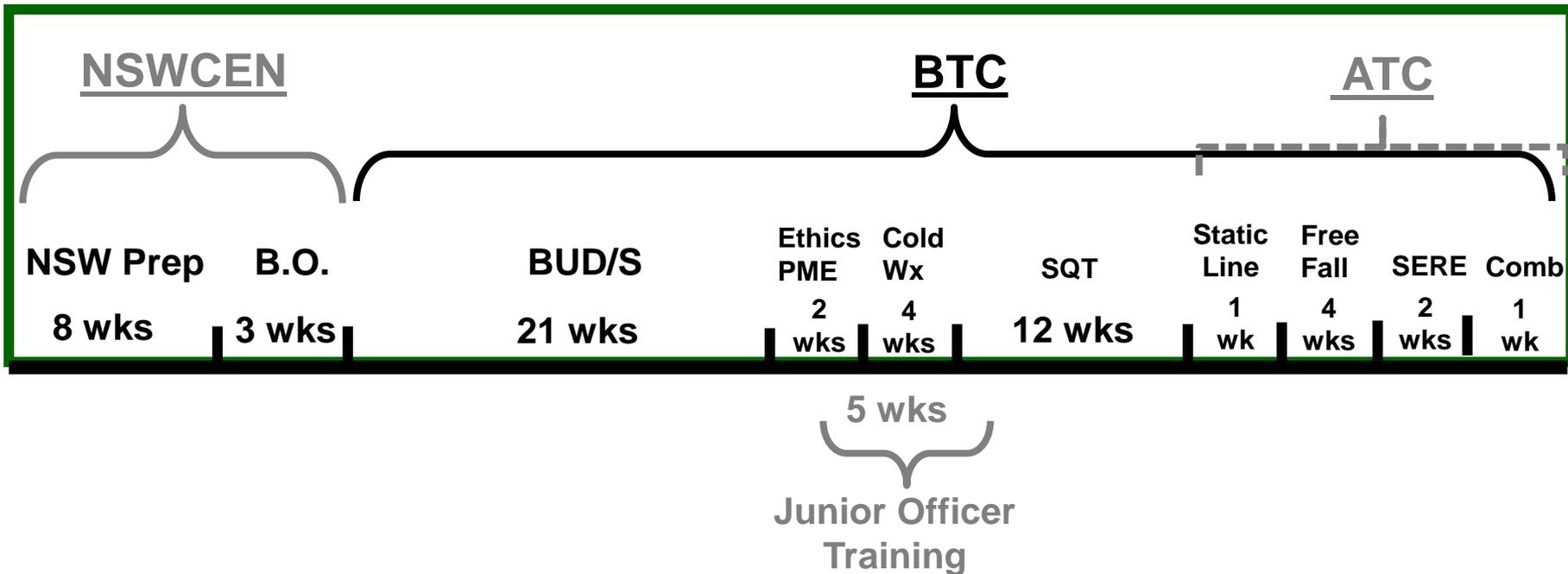


- **SWCC: Making Goal annually (80-100 SBs)**



# SEAL Qualification Timeline

**Pipeline Training: 58 wks**

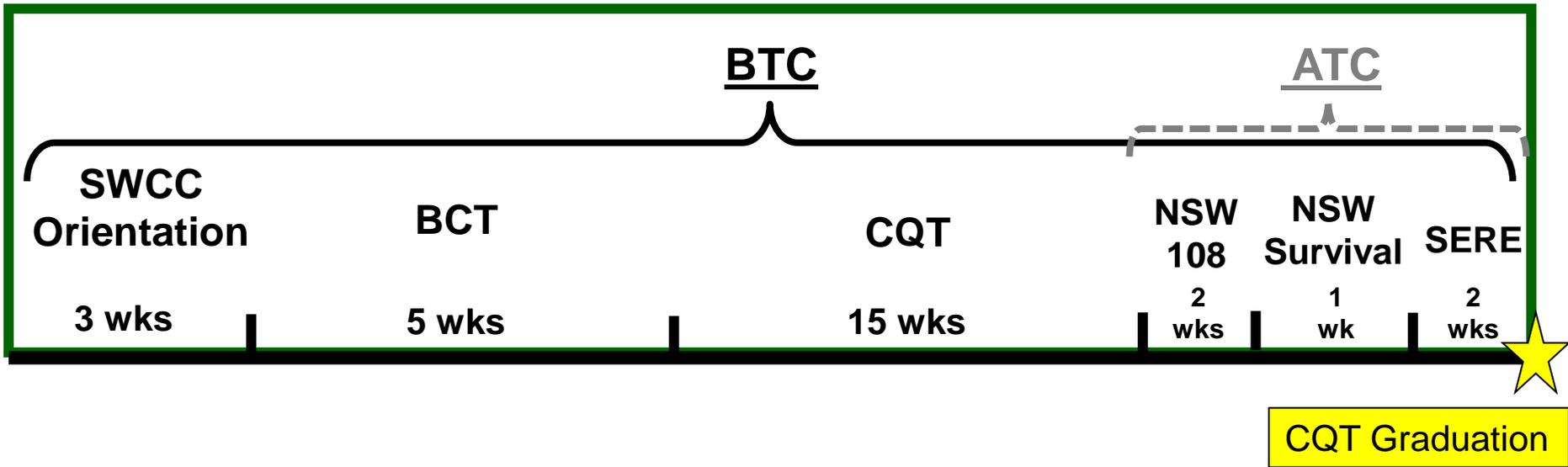


After graduation every new SEAL attends 3 months of language and cultural training



# SWCC Qualification Timeline

**Pipeline Training: 28 wks**



**Formal SWCC NEC training established in 2001.**

# NSWCEN Language, Regional Expertise, and Culture (LREC) Program

- **SOCOM Commander's Guidance**
- Regain ability to communicate directly with indigenous people.
- Basic linguistic skill throughout deployed force.
- High skill in small numbers.
- Increased cultural sensitivity and knowledge.
- All SEAL and SWCC graduates attend 12 week course in San Diego:
  - Initial Acquisition (IAT) determined by NSWRON deployment location
  - Level-II based on aptitude and operational requirements (return after deployments)

## Key Concepts in Second Language Acquisition

- Sustainment needs to be consistent and actively supported.
- Need a motivating factor (fiscal, operational, career).
- Grammar is important, but not the only way to start learning a language.
- CAT I & II languages: 1/1 = 360 hrs; 2/2 = 720 hrs
- CAT III & IV languages: 1/1 = 480 hrs; 2/2 = 1080 hrs