

# FORT GORDON, GA TO PORT OF SAVANNAH, GA

## POWER PROJECTION PLATFORM (PPP) ROUTE

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**BACKGROUND:** Power Projection Platforms (PPPs) are defined as military installations that strategically deploy one or more high-priority active component brigade and/or mobilize and deploy high-priority reserve component units. Increased deployment activity requiring a fast and coordinated response has become the normal operational standard within the continental United States. Routes between PPP installations and their designated Air and Sea Ports of Embarkation (APOEs/ SPOEs) are termed PPP Routes. PPP Routes, a subset of the STRategic Highway NETwork (STRAHNET), are the most critical 5,000 miles of public roadways for supporting the safe, rapid, and efficient movement of DoD personnel and equipment. Highways for National Defense (HND) mission requirements call for ensuring PPP Routes are maintained at a capable design, performance, and condition standard to support national emergency deployments.

**INSTALLATION:** Fort Gordon is located southwest of Augusta, Georgia and within Richmond, Jefferson, McDuffie and Columbia counties. Comprised of approximately 56,000 acres, the installation is the largest employer within this region of the state with over 19,000 employees. The installation's primary SPOE is the Port of Savannah, and the primary APOE is Augusta Regional Airport.

Source: <https://home.army.mil/gordon/index.php/about/history>

**ROUTE:** The PPP Route between Fort Gordon and the Port of Savannah – Ocean Terminal is approximately 139 miles in length. It begins at Gate # 5 along Avenue of the States where it then connects to Deans Bridge Road (U.S Route 1/State Route (SR) 4/ SR 540), the route then continues on Willis Foreman Road, U.S. Route 25/80 S, U.S. Route 25 BYP S around Statesboro, U.S. Route 301 S, I-16, I-516, and ends along North Lathrop Avenue at Gate # 2 which serves as the primary access point to the Georgia Ports Authority - Ocean Terminal site in Savannah.

