

JOINT BASE LEWIS McCHORD, WA TO THE PORT OF TACOMA, WA

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: Joint Base Lewis McChord (JBLM) is the Army power projection platform (PPP) west of the Rockies in the State of Washington. JBLM is situated in a key location along I-5, allowing easy access to the primary designated seaport of embarkation, the Port of Tacoma, WA.

Source: <https://home.army.mil/lewis-mcchord/index.php/about/history>

ROUTE: The PPP Route between JBLM and Port of Tacoma is approximately 21 miles in total length resulting in movement of military equipment most likely by means of convoy. The route begins at the Security Check Gate on 41st Division Drive, then continues on I-5 North, Port of Tacoma Road and ends on 11th Street at the Port of Tacoma Terminal. Access to the Port of Tacoma East Blair Terminal is found by continuing on I-5 North, 54th Avenue, Taylor Road, 11th Street, and Alexander Avenue South ending at the East Blair Terminal.

Designated PPP Installations

Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM), WA	Fort Campbell, KY
Fort Bragg, NC	Fort Drum, NY
Marine Corps Base Camp Lejeune, NC	Fort Polk, LA
Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA	Fort Sill, OK
Fort Stewart, GA	Fort Carson, CO
Fort Benning, GA	Fort Riley, KS
Fort Gordon, GA	Joint Base McGuire-Dix-Lakehurst, NJ
Fort Hood, TX	Joint Base Langley-Eustis, VA
Fort Bliss, TX	Fort Leonard Wood, MO

Share Route	Miles
41st Division Drive	0.1
I-5 (North)	15.1
TOTAL =	15.2
Port of Tacoma	Miles
Port of Tacoma Road	2.4
East 11th Street	0.1
TOTAL =	2.5
Port of Tacoma/ East Blair	Miles
I-5 (North)	1.1
54th Avenue	1
Taylor Road North	2.4
11th Street	0.1
Alexander Avenue South	1.4
TOTAL =	6.0

