Naval Magazine (NAVMAG) Indian Island is a joint ammunition and logistics center, providing port, storage, and transmission facilities for Navy, Joint, and Allied forces to receive and discharge munitions in support of military operations worldwide. This deep water port located in the Puget Sound is the only active harbor for the U.S. Pacific Command that supports both bulk container and individual ordnance loading. Limited development and surrounding forest land in this area provides required safety arcs for NAVMAG Indian Island and its marine space and ammunition routes, providing an operational environment that cannot be relocated elsewhere in the continental U.S.

The safety and security of NAVMAG Indian Island operations and neighboring communities is paramount, so the Navy is working with its partners to prevent incompatible development that would impact the safety of operations and increase vehicle traffic along ammunition routes. Protecting agricultural and forest land also has the benefit of preserving clean water resources and important marine and wildlife habitat, as well as mitigating against climate change impacts to the installation mission and entire region.

The REPI partnership at NAVMAG Indian Island is an expansion of the Navy’s ongoing encroachment partnering efforts across the entire Puget Sound region. The installation’s ammunition wharf is used all but a few days a year, and its importance grows with the increasing need to support Arctic, Pacific, Mid and Far East missions. Protecting this invaluable asset and surrounding compatible lands and waters achieves the mutual goals of federal, state, and county agencies, national and local land trusts, and business partners.

BENEFIT SUMMARY

COMMUNITY
• Preserves forest and agricultural lands
• Preserves water resources and marine and wildlife habitat
• Supports local coordinated planning efforts

MILITARY
• Provides a unique deep water port critical to the Pacific command
• Supports multiple Service missions
• Improves operational safety

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