

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE READINESS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INTEGRATION PROGRAM

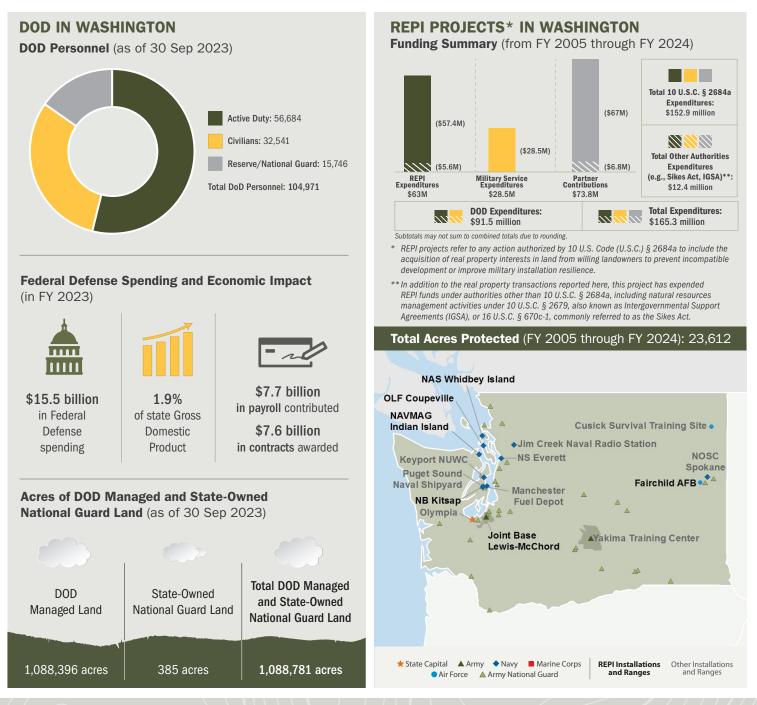
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# **OVERVIEW**

In Fiscal Year (FY) 2023, the state of Washington received \$14.6 billion in Defense spending, which provides direct funding for the Department of Defense (DOD) personnel salaries, defense contracts, and construction of military facilities in the state. This spending by DOD personnel, contractors, and their families creates significant economic activity, attracts related industries and investments, and generates important state and local government tax revenues.

The Readiness and Environmental Protection Integration (REPI) Program is a key tool used by DOD and its partners to protect the military's ability to train, test, and operate in the state. The Department created the REPI Program in response to the development of lands and loss of habitat in the vicinity of or affecting its installations, ranges, and airspace that can lead to restrictions or costly and inadequate training and testing alternatives. Through the REPI Program, DOD works with state and local governments, conservation organizations, and willing private landowners to address these challenges to the military mission and the viability of DOD installations and ranges. The REPI Program has benefited from broad bipartisan support both in the U.S. Congress and among groups representing state and local officials. From FY 2005 through FY 2024, DOD and its partners have contributed over \$165.3 million to REPI projects supporting five installations in Washington.



For more information about the REPI Program, please visit www.repi.mil.

#### **MILITARY PRESENCE**

- The military and defense community is the second largest public employer in Washington, which is home to 95,079 active duty, reserve, guard, and civilian personnel. It supports over \$15 billion in annual procurement, working with nearly 1,900 businesses across the state.
- Yakima Training Center comprises 327,000 acres and provides training support for both Joint Base Lewis-McChord (JBLM) as well as transient units and organizations for maneuver training, land warrior system testing and live fire training, and is located in the south central part of the state.
- The Coast Guard district supports homeland security for four states and patrols over 460,000 square miles of the Pacific Ocean.
- JBLM combines an artillery and maneuver training mission, including for Stryker armored combat vehicle teams, with operational airlift missions carrying personnel, vehicles, supplies, and materials directly to areas of conflict.

- Located in the heart of the Pacific Northwest's Puget Sound region, JBLM is one of DOD's premiere military installations on the West Coast. JBLM provides world-class installation support to more than 40,000 active, Guard and Reserve Service members and about 14,000 civilian workers. The base supports 60,000 family members who live on and outside the base, and nearly 30,000 military retirees living within 50 miles.
- Naval Base Kitsap on the Kitsap Peninsula is the third largest naval installation in the U.S., constituting 33,800 military and civilian personnel, plus 7,500 defense contractors. The Navy is the largest employer in Kitsap County by nearly 17,500 daily workers. The base supports the U.S. Navy fleet operating across West Puget Sound and serves the surface vessels and submarines based at Bremerton and Bangor.

## **Key REPI Partners**

- Agroforestry Northwest Center for Natural Lands
- Management
- City of Lakewood
- City of Oak Harbor
- City of Tacoma
- **Coastal Conservation** League
- **Compatible Lands** Foundation
- Ecostudies Institute
- **Evergreen State College Great Peninsula**
- Conservancy
- Island County
- Jefferson County
- Jefferson Land Trust Joint Base Lewis McChord Sentinel Landscape
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- Native Plant Salvage Foundation
- Natural Resources Conservation Service
- North Carolina Coastal Federation
- Northwest Rangeland Trust
- Oregon Zoo
- Pierce County
- Pope Resources Spokane County
- State of Washington
- Sustainability in Prisons
- The Conservation Fund
- The Nature Conservancy н.
- The Northwest Watershed Institute
- The Trust for Public Land

### **Data Sources**

#### For Economic Impact Information:

- Office of the Governor of Washington: "Military & Defense": www.governor.wa.gov/issues/issues/ economy/military-defense
- State of Washington Department of Commerce: "Washington State's Military & Defense Sector": www.commerce.wa.gov/growing-the-economy/keysectors/military-defense/
- For Installation-Specific Information:
  - Yakima Training Center: www.home.army.mil/yakima/
  - Joint Base Lewis-McChord: www.home.army.mil/lewis-mcchord/index.php
  - Naval Base Kitsap: www.cnic.navy.mil/regions/cnrnw/installations/ navbase\_kitsap/about.html
- For Land Information: Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Sustainment, Real Property, Business Systems & Information Directorate: "Base Structure Report - FY24 Baseline" (as of 30 Sept 2023)
- For Federal Spending and Personnel Information: Office of Local Defense Community Cooperation: "Defense Spending by State - Fiscal Year 2023": www.oldcc.gov/dsbs-fy2023
- For REPI Projects Information: "2025 REPI Report to Congress": www.repi.mil/ Portals/44/Documents/Reports\_to\_Congress/ REPI2025RTC.pdf

# **REPI PROJECTS**

Installation	County	Congressional District
Fairchild Air Force Base	Spokane	5th
Joint Base Lewis-McChord	Pierce	10th
Naval Air Station Whidbey Island (with Outlying Field Coupeville)	Island	2nd
Naval Base Kitsap (with Naval Magazine Depot Indian Island)	Kitsap, Jefferson	6th

For all REPI Project Profiles visit: www.repi.mil/BufferProjects/ProjectList.aspx



Soldiers assigned to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion, 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment conduct fast rope insertion training from a UH-60M Black Hawk helicopter at Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington.

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- University Extension Division Washington Veterans
  - Trust
  - Wolf Haven International
- Washington Trade and Economic Development

Thurston Conservation

 U.S. Department of Agriculture - Natural

U.S. Environmental

U.S. Forest Service

of Agriculture

of Ecology

**Protection Agency** 

U.S. Fish and Wildlife

University of Washington

Washington Department

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Department of Veterans

Washington State Parks

Conservation Office

Washington State Salmon

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