

Joint Base Lewis-McChord has evaluated the Commercial Aviation Coordinating Commission's airport siting proposals and determined they would negatively impact the ability of JBLM to conduct its joint power projection mission. The CACC's proposal warranted JBLM review because commercial aviation activity at these sites – so close to JBLM – is incompatible with existing JBLM Army and Air Force aviation operations and mission-readiness requirements. All three proposed sites aren't viable because they would disrupt fixed-wing and helicopter training and operational requirements. Going forward, JBLM will continue to work closely with federal, state, county and city officials to ensure any proposed airport site doesn't pose an adverse impact to missions at JBLM.

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