



# NAVAL BASE KITSAP-BANGOR

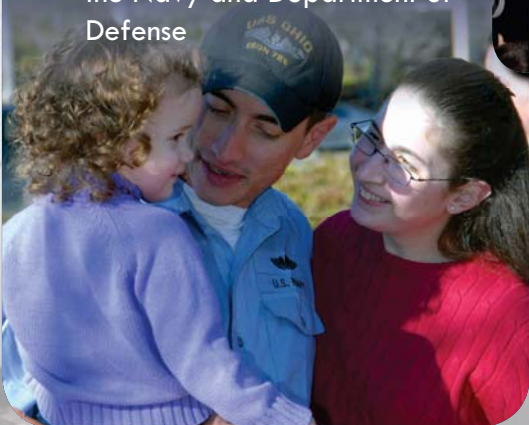


## TRIDENT SUPPORT FACILITIES EXPLOSIVES HANDLING WHARF

SAFETY

The Navy uses established and verified procedures for handling missiles at Naval Base Kitsap Bangor and has established numerous policies, guidance and procedures to ensure the safety of employees, their dependents and the surrounding community. These include:

- Standard Operating Procedures
- Annual Strategic Weapons Facility Pacific safety inspections
- Navy inspections every two years
- Periodic ammunition and hazardous material reviews
- Safety siting approvals from the Navy and Department of Defense



**The proposed second explosives handling wharf would operate within the existing explosives safety program, which has an excellent 30-year track record.**

The Navy values safety and requires extensive training of military and civilian personnel who are responsible for handling explosives.

- **Trident Training Facility** trains officers and enlisted personnel in the knowledge and skills required to proficiently operate and maintain *Trident* submarines and associated systems. It is the first and only Department of Defense school accredited by the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges.
- **Strategic Weapons Facility Pacific** supports the strategic mission of *Trident* submarines homeported at Naval Base Kitsap Bangor, including missile storage and handling.



*Trident Training Facility at Naval Base Kitsap Bangor.*



The Navy is certified to handle missiles based on a comprehensive and lengthy certification process. The Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board and Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity provide extensive oversight of all ordnance handling at Navy facilities, including Naval Base Kitsap Bangor.

- **Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB)** provides objective advice to the Secretary of Defense and the Secretary of the Navy on matters concerning explosives safety. The DDESB also works to prevent hazardous conditions to life and property on and off Department of Defense installations from the explosives and environmental effects of Department of Defense munitions.
- **Naval Ordnance Safety and Security Activity** is the Navy's technical authority for explosives safety and manages all programmatic policy. They are responsible for providing technical policies, procedures and design criteria associated with weapons systems safety.