**OPERATION TWIN RIVERS CLASH**

**Scenario Overview: The Battle of Crystal Junction**

In a rugged frontier region, two opposing forces clash for control of a strategic supply point. The battle takes place near a natural freshwater reservoir that has long served travelers in this contested borderland. After a night march through inclement weather, the forces meet on a rain-soaked battlefield divided by two flowing waterways.

**SIDE A**

**Resources**

* Diverse force comprising regular troops and local defense volunteers
* Mixed weaponry including standard rifles and carbines
* Artillery support (12lb and 6lb field pieces)
* Mounted cavalry units with flexibility to fight dismounted
* Special unit of frontier volunteers with high morale and combat effectiveness

**Vulnerabilities**

* Forces arrived wet, tired, and hungry after marching through rain
* Extended supply lines
* Limited ammunition reserves
* Exhaustion from night march and morning engagement

**Key Challenges**

* Must secure the strategic junction before reinforcements arrive
* Needs to prevent Side B from escaping with supplies
* Operating in unfamiliar terrain with limited reconnaissance
* Must maintain momentum despite fatigue

**Strategic Approach**

* Seize initiative with aggressive forward deployment
* Use superior command structure (Level 2 commander with 12" radius)
* Leverage disciplined units with higher cohesion values
* Press advantage after initial artillery exchange
* Cut off retreat routes by controlling key terrain features

**SIDE B**

**Resources**

* Mixed force of veteran frontier fighters
* Strong cavalry contingent as backbone of the force
* Light artillery with specialized ammunition
* Local knowledge of terrain
* Diverse units with varying specialties

**Vulnerabilities**

* Substandard munitions acquired from foreign supplier
* All units suffer +1 penalty on combat rolls due to ammunition issues
* Artillery piece has poor accuracy and limited range
* Command structure less unified than opponent

**Key Challenges**

* Maintaining control of the strategic supply depot
* Protecting retreat route across the waterways
* Coordinating diverse force elements effectively
* Overcoming ammunition quality issues

**Strategic Approach**

* Defensive positioning around the main junction point
* Use of cavalry mobility to counter enemy movements
* Creation of strong central position (marked as "Lee" on map)
* Preparation to conduct organized withdrawal if necessary
* Prioritize capturing enemy supplies to supplement own resources

**Special Rules**

1. The morning of the battle, Side B received poor quality ammunition from a foreign supplier. Plagued by misfires, all Side B units suffer a +1 on all combat rolls.
2. Side B's light artillery piece was a rare model with loose manufacturing tolerances. Its range and accuracy values equal those of a standard 6lb gun.
3. All Side B mounted rifle units must fight dismounted and may not mount during the scenario.
4. Side B cavalry units may begin mounted or dismounted and can transition between states during the scenario.
5. Side A cavalry may begin mounted or dismounted and can transition between states throughout the battle.