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Ms. Hanlon,

Let me begin by stating that the Progressive Leadership Alliance of Nevada (PLAN) is strongly opposed to the proposed radioactive waste site at Yucca Mountain.

Yucca Mountain is not a suitable site for many reasons.

- It contains numerous geological faults and is in a highly earthquake prone region.
- Water will be able to infiltrate the waster containers, due to the rapid water migration pathways in the mountain, causing them to corrode and carrying radioactivity into the currently uncontaminated groundwater.
- It will violate the Treaty of Ruby Valley with the Western Shoshone Nation.

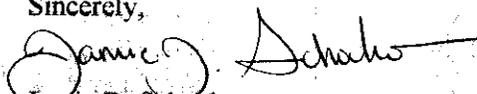
Due to the location, an enormous transportation scheme would be required with potentially disastrous accident and/or terrorist consequences. Passing through 43 states and potentially impacting 50 to 60 million Americans

Communities near Yucca Mountain will suffer from economic stigma in the short term and radioactive contamination in the long term.

It is apparent the Department of Energy (DOE) is moving forward on a site recommendation process with incomplete regulations, an insufficient comment period, and a final EIS that is unavailable. All of this leads me to only one conclusion; that the DOE neither wishes nor cares about meaningful public involvement.

Please listen to the overwhelming majority of Nevada residents when we say we don't want a radioactive waste site in our state.

Sincerely,

  
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