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I was hoping that you could step back & look at some issues that may not have received too much attention by the DOE.

As you may know, at least 33 known earthquake faults lie in Yucca Mountain's vicinity. Studies by the Geological Survey discovered that the Ghost Dance Fault, WHICH CROSSES THE SITE, may be the primary fault of a complex fault zone. Also, the Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board has warned that extensive fault systems may not leave sufficient emplacement space for nuclear waste.

One is the issue of leaking water. Because of the high amount of water flow in the area (the area is actually called "Serpent Swimming West" - by the Western Shoshone people because of this water flow), it has been proven that this area will leak over time. Many, many people across the country buy the food products that are grown in the nearby farming community of Armagosa Valley. Isn't it possible that a place could be found that would not have this hydrology problem?

Another issue to look at is the enormous amount of people (an estimated 43 million) living around I-80 and other freeways, who will be exposed to

radiation on a near daily bases due to the massive transportation venture that will be necessary. Simply because of the fact that Yucca Mountain is near the west coast and the vast majority of the nuclear waste is created on the east coast, many millions more people will be exposed to radiation, even if there were no accidents. It is estimated that 43 million people live along the transportation routes.

The new threat of terrorism that our nation is dealing with, should mandate reconsideration of this project. Transportation of nuclear waste is risky, and greatly opens up the possibility of new types of terrorist activity.

Another extremely important issue is the perception that this plan is incredibly racist and religiously intolerant. Many Western Shoshone people consider this as sacred land. Why should their wishes be disrespected? We would not bomb a Catholic Church or a Mormon Temple.

Thank You,

Shundahai,

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