

Comment on the Department of Energy's Yucca Mountain Draft Environmental Impact Statement

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I agree with the following statements which I have checked:

- 1 The No Action Alternatives are not reasonable. The EIS should have a reasonable no action alternative.
- 2 The EIS is inadequate because it uses outdated 1990 census data rather than current population data for Nevada.
- 3 The analysis of transportation impacts in Nevada is insufficient for making modal, corridor and route decisions.
- 4 The floodplain analysis is insufficient for corridor and route selection.
- 5 The impact of stigma on tourism, recreation and agriculture based economies in Nevada should be analyzed.
- 6 The EIS should analyze the impacts of a crash between a military airplane and a nuclear waste rail car.
- Other _____

Comments:

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The Department of Energy's Yucca Mountain Draft Environmental Impact Statement includes an option to construct a rail line from Beowawe to Yucca Mountain through Crescent Valley to transport nuclear waste to Yucca Mountain. DOE is required to consider all comments submitted regarding the impacts of building and operating a repository including transportation. My comments for the record are:

- 7 *The DEIS contained inadequate, incomplete, and inaccurate information - Inadequate: How can it be adequate when it devotes so little attention to the rail routes? In simple numbers of pages, it is less weighty than the DEIS required for a single mine at the end of our valley - Yucca Mountain is a repository with and the transport of nuclear waste have much more impact than one mine! A thorough DEIS must be done - and please be accurate, from big through small things - Cortez, Gold Acres, Tenabo are ghost towns with historic status but they are not "communities" for example.*
- 8 *Moreover, please consider - in a revised DEIS - a rational no action alternative - Why NOT leave the waste where it is and devote/redesignate the money to research safe disposal of this waste -*