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Stop nuclear waste dumping on Native lands

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Dear Mr. Richardson,

I am opposed to storing high level nuclear waste at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. Yucca Mountain is on land guaranteed the Western Shoshone Nation through the 1803 Treaty of Ruby Valley. The mountain is sacred to Shoshone and Pauite peoples. In addition to the moral injustice of storing America's deadliest garbage on sacred Native territories, I am opposed to the Yucca Mountain project because it poses a serious health risk to all Americans.

Yucca Mountain is a seismically active, leaky mountain and does not meet the containment requirements for isolating radioactivity for the next quarter million years.

I believe America must stop producing nuclear waste and invest in a safe energy future. I urge you to protect all Americans and the original peoples of this land by enacting policies that phase out nuclear power and herald in renewable energy resources and energy efficiency.

We have never honored and upheld agreements we've made with the Native Americans. I'm so tired of listening to the double talk, and false justifications as to why we should'nt honor our agreements. I guess HONOR is a key word here.

I oppose this nuclear dumping and frankly I'm weary of the nuclear monster that has been created and no where to go with it. The Native Americans and their land cannot and should not be the target!!

Sincerely.

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