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**NWTRB Environment and Public Health Panel Meeting
Agenda Update**

On October 16, 1990, the NWTRB Environment & Public Health (E&PH) Panel is holding a meeting on issues pertaining to the potential socioeconomic effects of siting a permanent repository at the proposed Yucca Mountain Site. An original press release on this meeting was released for publication on August 26, 1990. Since then, changes have been made to the agenda. A revised, preliminary agenda can be found on the back of this announcement.

Initially, following a presentation on its socioeconomic program by the Department of Energy (DOE), representatives of the State of Nevada, the Western Shoshone National Council, and Nye County, Nevada, were to present their views on the program. The State of Nevada, however, is unable to attend the meeting. Additionally, representatives from Clark and Lincoln counties have been invited to make presentations. In the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendment Act (NWPAA) of 1987, Congress designated Lincoln, Clark, and Nye counties as "affected local governments."

The E&PH Panel will hold its meeting from 8:30 A.M. - 1:00 P.M. at the Peppermill Hotel, 2707 South Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada (702) 826-2121. The meeting will follow a public hearing being held by the same panel the day before, October 15, in the same hotel.

The public is welcome to attend the meeting as observers. A transcript of the meeting will be made and will be available on a library-loan basis beginning November 6, 1990, from Victoria Reich, NWTRB librarian.

The U.S. Congress created the NWTRB in the NWPAA of 1987. The Board's purpose is to evaluate the technical and scientific validity of the DOE's work to characterize proposed sites for the permanent disposal of the nation's commercial spent nuclear fuel and high-level waste. The Board is also charged with evaluating spent nuclear fuel transportation and packaging activities undertaken by the DOE.

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Preliminary Agenda

**Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board
Environment & Public Health Panel**

October 16, 1990
Peppermill Hotel
Convention Center - Second Floor

Briefing on Socioeconomic Study Plans

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| 8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. | Opening remarks
- Dr. Melvin W. Carter, NWTRB |
| 8:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. | Presentation of DOE draft
Socioeconomic Plan
- DOE speakers TBD |
| 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. | Break |
| 10:45 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. | Western Shoshone National Council comments
- Ian Zabarte, Western Shoshone National
Council |
| 11:15 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. | Clark County comments
-Jerry Duke, Clark County Nuclear Waste
Repository Program |
| 11:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. | Lincoln County comments
- County representative TBD |
| 12:30 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. | Nye County comments
-Stephen Bradhurst, Nye County Planning
Commission |
| 1:00 p.m. | Adjourn |

Note: The panel may meet in closed session in the afternoon.