

U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission's Role Relating to U.S. Department of Energy's Environmental Impact Statement for Yucca Mountain, Nevada



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WHY ARE WE COMMENTING?

- **We Have a Responsibility to Comment under the Law.**
- **We Are Experts in Radiation Health and Safety.**
- **We Are Responsible for Regulating Radioactive Waste Disposal and Certain Transportation Activities.**

WHY WILL WE ADOPT?

We are Required by Law to Adopt U.S. Department of Energy's Final Environmental Impact Statement.

WHAT IS OUR SCHEDULE?

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| August 6, 1999 | The Draft Environmental Impact Statement was Released and We Began Our Review |
| October 7, 1999 | We Met with U.S. Department of Energy |
| November 9, 1999 | We are Here in Caliente, Nevada, to Discuss Our Role |
| November 18, 1999 | We Will Brief Advisory Committee on Nuclear Waste |
| January 25, 2000 | The Commissioners Will Discuss the Results of Our Review |

WHAT AREAS OF EXPERTISE ARE WE USING?

Archeology

Ecology

Chemistry

Geology

Health Physics

Hydrology

Engineering

**Environmental
Justice**

Law

Socioeconomics

Transportation

WHAT WILL WE REVIEW?

- ✓ **Coordination With Other Agencies and Governments**
- ✓ **Evaluation of Effects on People and the Environment**
- ✓ **Consideration of Alternatives and Ability to Mitigate**

HOW ARE WE REVIEWING TRANSPORTATION?

- **We are Reviewing the Draft Environmental Impact Statement and References.**
- **We Asked U.S. Department of Energy for Additional Information.**
- **We are Reviewing the Transportation Calculations.**