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I believe that the responsibility of handling nuclear waste dumpsites should be removed from NRC authority and given to another agency or independent scientific body..

The Nrc had the responsibility of nuclear safety to the public. Instead it has become a politicized body more interested in forcing nuclear waste into areas where it may not be safe for it to be stored.

Case in point. Nevada's Yucca Mountain. Nrc and Doe are spending tax dollars to legally force Nevada to accept nuclear waste in Yucca Mountain. Nevada is spending its citizens tax dollars trying to stop this. The NRC and Doe are forcing Nevada to spend money that it could be spending for benefit of its citizens elsewhere..

The reason: GEOLOGY and LOCATION: There are more than 300 unresolved scientific issues relative to the suitability of the Yucca Mountain site. These issues include hydrology, inadequacy of the proposed waste package, repository design and volcanism. The Yucca site is seismically and volcanically active, porous and incapable of geologically containing the waste. Yucca's aquifer drains to the Amargosa Valley, one of Nevada's most productive agricultural regions, is adjacent to a busy and growing Nellis Air Force Base, and is only 90 miles from our largest metropolitan area, Las Vegas. (From a State of Nevada website.)

If Nrc or DOE has trouble getting something built, they just have Government employees change the information.. Quotes from an msnbc article -- "I don't have a clue when these programs were installed. So I've made up the dates and names," wrote a U.S. Geological Survey employee in one e-mail released Friday by a congressional committee investigating suspected document falsification on the project. "

"This is as good as it's going to get. If they need more proof, I will be happy to make up more stuff."

In another message the same employee wrote to a colleague: "In the end I keep track of 2 sets of files, the ones that will keep QA happy and the ones that were actually used." QA apparently refers to "quality assurance."

"Science by peer pressure is dangerous but sometime (sic) it is necessary," says one message, by a second scientist at the geological survey.

<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/7361346/><<http://www.msnbc.msn.com/id/7361346/>>

If there is conflicting environmental information where the NRC wants to build nuclear waste storage sites, they just ignore it.

Our Congressmen like Pete Domenici don't see any ethical problems for taking honorary titles from the nuclear industry..

<http://www.ans.org/meetings/winter/><<http://www.ans.org/meetings/winter/>>

The NRC has lost the trust of the public.

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