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To the Chief, Rulemaking, Directives, and Editing Branch,

These comments are complementary to those I submitted yesterday, pertaining to the Generic Environmental Impact Statement, addressing license applications for in-situ leach (ISL) uranium mining facilities.

It is my opinion that the Draft GEIS must be obligated to investigate the manner in which state and federal laws about environmental pollution, especially as they pertain to water quality, are actually enforced. The GEIS must determine that these laws are fully implemented at the field level. Furthermore, in the interest of public health, it should not be the intention of this GEIS to remove the US EPA from the process; the responsibilities of the various agencies involved should be made explicit with provisions for enforcement being ensured.

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