

TurkeyPointCEm Resource

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I have serious concerns that the proposed expansion of FPL's Turkey Point could significantly impact and degrade the health of our national parks, sensitive ecological areas including extensive wetlands, federally listed threatened and endangered wildlife, and the quality and quantity of limited fresh water resources. I request that both agencies support the "No Action" alternative in reference to Docket ID: NRC-2009-0337.

There are other energy choices that don't pose such risks, which are not properly studied in the draft Environmental Impact Statement. Solar power has dropped in price and improved in quality whereas new nuclear reactors continue to increase in cost and have yet to actually be built. Energy efficiency is the lowest cost resource in meeting electricity demand—many times less expensive than these reactors that are approaching \$20 billion. Yet, FPL is doing almost nothing to expand energy efficiency or renewables, which are viable alternatives, nor is the Florida Public Service Commission making decisions that will expand these safer, more affordable options. Your agencies should not rely on their flawed utility planning process.

Clearly, South Florida is highly vulnerable to sea level rise and the impacts of climate change. This site was never an acceptable location for the Turkey Point facility there today and many decades later it has only become an even more unacceptable location. Complicating all of this is that with no solution in sight for the long-term management of highly radioactive nuclear waste, there is no reason to support the licensing of these proposed reactors. I strongly oppose the expansion of Turkey Point and support the "No Action" alternative.

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