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To Whom It May Concern:

- 1 [I am very concerned about the pending proposal to use Yucca Mountain as a burial ground for high-level nuclear waste and I ask that you stop this from happening. There are several reasons for this; I address only a few of them here.

Research has continually shown that the site cannot meet the standards for waste isolation. It is in a fault area that is also a Class 4 earthquake zone. It is likely to contaminate the Amargosa River, which is the third largest river in the Western U.S. and is being considered for wild and scenic river status. This watershed is a closed drainage system and is home to many rare and endangered species, human communities, the Timbisha Shoshone Tribe and the Death Valley National Park. These ecosystems and people are important to well-being of the area and have a right to use it as the nation's trash can.] ... Continued below

- 2 [The area is sacred land to the Shoshone people and it is a racist human rights violation of Western Shoshone treaty lands. It is time for us to show respect for the treaties the people signed and give them sovereignty over their ancestral lands, not further trash them.]

... 1 [Disposing of this most toxic waste in this area will put this substance within a half mile of 50 million people who live in the area. They will also suffer economically from the site as the possible effects of the toxins will keep tourists from visiting the area.]

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Please do not sacrifice this fragile and important land by making it into a waste dump.

Sincerely,



Barbara Jones