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Hello,

I'm writing to you about an issue that I once read about in my environmental policy class my first year of college. I am now in my third year as an environmental studies student in Pittsburgh and to my surprise this issue has come up again. In that course we discussed the disposal of nuclear waste- one of the most deadly waste materials on earth. It was then that I learned about the laundry list of problems associated with 'disposing' of nuclear waste such as leaking, transportation, and the fatality of accidents. In that class we had also discussed the considerations to use the yucca mountain site in which it clearly determined to be a bad idea. Now, it's shocking to me to find out that it is actually being considered. The area is extremely unstable to be used as a site for nuclear storage with the unpredictable weather and geological changes that are expected in that area. Not to mention the indecency of placing this site within the western Shoshone treaty lands. How long are the decision makers of our country going to ignore the ecological processes of our planet and act against them as well as push natives off of the land for over consumption energy needs? I see the creation of this site as a terrible political decision. Building this creates a false sense of security for using nuclear energy while we should be focusing on alternative renewable energy sources. Even if we do continue to use nuclear energy the waste should be stored on-site not transported across the country and dumped into someone else's land. (NIMBY!). Overall, the research on this site clearly shows that storing high level waste in this area is not safe or ethical and I do not wish to see this project carried out.]

Sincerely,

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