

## Parrish, John

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**From:** Barbara Byron [Bbyron@energy.state.ca.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 25, 2005 11:56 AM  
**To:** Parrish, John  
**Subject:** RE: US EPA Proposed Radiation Protection Standard for the Yucca Mt. High-Level Waste Repository

Thanks. I'm looking at it now too. Shall we try to discuss this this Friday?

>>> "Parrish, John" <John.Parrish@conservation.ca.gov> 10/25/05 11:51 AM >>>  
Barbara --

Thanks for sending the documents -- all arrived in good shape. We will commence looking at them right away and get back to you with any comments.

Regards -- JGP

-----Original Message-----

**From:** Barbara Byron [mailto:Bbyron@energy.state.ca.us]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 25, 2005 10:26 AM  
**To:** Parrish, John  
**Subject:** US EPA Proposed Radiation Protection Standard for the Yucca Mt. High-Level Waste Repository

Hi John,

Thank you for your return call.

As I mentioned, the U.S. EPA is proposing a radiation standard to protect public health from radioactive materials in the planned high-level radioactive waste disposal facility at Yucca Mountain, Nevada. The deadline for comments is November 21 (it was extended from an earlier deadline).

A few years ago, the California Yucca Mt. High-Level Nuclear Waste Repository Technical Advisory Group submitted comments on the Draft EIS for the Yucca Mt. Repository. This group, coordinated by the Energy Commission, was comprised of state agency representatives from the Energy Commission, Cal EPA, Dept. of Conservation, DWR, DTSC, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board, State Water Resources Control Board, Parks and Recreation, Dept. of Health Services, Fish and Game, California Highway Patrol, Office of Emergency Services, and DOT. Jim Davis was on this team before he retired.

I am asking a few technical experts from this group to look over the proposed US EPA standard to see if there are issues of concern for California and whether California should prepare formal written comments. I have sent these materials to Jeff Wong at Cal EPA and

Harold Singer, Executive Director, Lahontan Regional Water Quality Control Board as well as John Woodling with the DWR and Stan Martinson with the State Water Resources Control Board.

Attached please find:

1. US EPA's Proposed Radiation Protection Standard,
2. Nevada's comments/concerns re: the standard
3. a map prepared by a consultant for Nevada showing the Death Valley Groundwater Basin
4. California's Comments on the Draft EIS for the Yucca Mt. Project.

Please let me know if you receive these materials okay. Thank you for agreeing to look them over.

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