

RESOLUTION
(OF THE CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS)

WHEREAS, the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982 delineated a procedure and time schedule for the establishment of the nation's first geologic repository for the storage of high level nuclear waste; and

WHEREAS, on January 8, 1985, the Clark County Board of Commissioners adopted a resolution opposing the location of a high-level nuclear waste repository in Southern Nevada; and

WHEREAS, Yucca Mountain in Nye County was selected in May of 1986 to be one of three sites to be considered for placement of the repository; and

WHEREAS, in December 1987, the Congress of the United States amended the Nuclear Waste Policy Act identifying Yucca Mountain as the preferred site for a high-level nuclear waste repository; and

WHEREAS, the amendments defined "affected units of local government", which could include Clark County; and

WHEREAS, the amendments established a procedure whereby such local governments could receive grants and impact mitigation assistance and could become directly involved in decision-making for the high level nuclear waste program; and

WHEREAS, designation as an affected unit of local government and acceptance of grant assistance in no way implies or requires acceptance of the placement of a high-level nuclear waste repository in Southern Nevada.

2. Pursuant to this opposition, and because Congress has directed the Department of Energy to apply its repository resources towards site characterization at Yucca Mountain, it is prudent and responsible for the Board to seek all supplemental financial assistance available to undertake the studies necessary to support impact assistance requests, to support a staff and program to monitor Department of Energy activities, and to provide a negotiating presence so that potential impacts on local residents and business interests can be mitigated.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Board hereby declares Clark County to be an "affected unit of local government" pursuant to the Nuclear Waste Policy Act Amendments of 1987 and directs the County Manager to pursue such certification from the Department of Energy and to pursue all financial or other assistance available to Clark County under the high-level nuclear waste program.

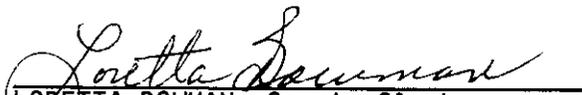
PASSED, ADOPTED, AND APPROVED this 5th day of April, 1988.

CLARK COUNTY, Nevada

By:


PAUL J. CHRISTENSEN, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners

ATTEST:


LORETTA BOWMAN, County Clerk