

## Selected comments on Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump petition by Citizens of London, ON

1	Water is Life. I am very proud that the City of London, Ontario unanimously passed resolution 17520, urging that neither the proposed nuclear waste repository near Kincardine nor any underground nuclear repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin. Since that 2013, resolution passed, 150 other municipalities, including many in the US, representing 20.4 million people have joined to protect the health and safety of our lakes, our environment and our drinking water. We must protect what is so precious and never lose sight of the importance of defending our lakes and communities.
2	We drink Lake Huron. We must protect our water supply. Nuclear waste is not safe now, in 10 years, in 100 years, or in 1,000 years.
3	When we look back in history we can see many examples when things are done with the assurance that they are safe and years later we find we are wrong. We cannot gamble with are fresh water. Generations would suffer. It is our responsibility to look after this asset. Allowing this project is truly irresponsible.
4	Having been born in Niagara Falls, raised in Hamilton, and as I currently reside in London, Ontario, the Great Lakes have been an essential part of my life. Even if the risk of a leak was <1%, I cannot believe that it would be a reasonable gamble to risk the largest body of fresh water on the continent - especially under the circumstances in which we live. Climate change exists and the availability of safe fresh water should be a major concern.
5	We need our government to take a stand for its citizens now and for future generations!!
6	This would go down in history as one of the dumbest most self-destructive decisions any humans ever made.
7	The question on whether or not to push forward with this proposal is one that should be on the minds of the entire world, not just those in the immediate region. This project has the potential to pollute and destroy the largest supply of fresh water on the planet. Fresh water is the most important resource on the planet, one that every human being needs to survive. With the growing scarcity of fresh water in the world, this is a project that has global implications. The repercussions of this project may perhaps be ones that have life altering consequences on humans. This project is an example of just how inflated the global lifestyle is, because as any educated person would know, to run a large system it requires significant amounts of energy. Nuclear is arguably the most notorious of the methods of producing the necessary amounts of that energy. The point is, we as a society have lived past our means. And the results are highly controversial decisions such as the one presented. I implore any decision makers to abandon this decision to store nuclear waste anywhere near the Great Lakes and the land that falls within their watershed. LET'S TAKE THESE FUNDAMENTAL ISSUES SERIOUSLY!
8	London gets their drinking water from Lake Huron.
9	Do NOT bury that shit so close to water. Look at pottersburg creek in London Ontario. It ran through my backyard and kids used to play in it. Some company buried tanks that leaked into it and now, coincidentally, so many people in that neighborhood have, have had, or died from cancer. Stupidity... Keep away from water!
10	Such a tragically flawed idea. All that great, stable Canadian shield available and the choice gets made to bury this pollution just a mile from where millions have placed their drinking straw!
11	these people are seriously insane.....why are they putting it so dangerously close to a water shed.....
12	Please do not approve this risky project. Once buried any leaching from these materials will be difficult to monitor and difficult to recover. The quality of our ground water is at stake. London gets its water from Lake Huron, south of this proposed project.
13	This is just such a bad idea! We need to protect our water!
14	Do not build a nuclear disposal area where it is at risk of contaminating fresh water or ground water.

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15	I find it so ridiculous and so sad that our politicians have put us in a position to sign a petition such as this. These politicians are running our provinces and country and they are obviously not making decisions showing wisdom and what is best for us -- the people -- our country. NO WAY should this place so close to Lake Huron even be a consideration!!!!
16	Please do not put a nuclear dump beside our Great Lakes because they are still new, and we don't want to risk the chance of the dump leaking. This is a lot of our worlds (mostly Canada's) supply of fresh water and us humans can not continue to wreck the good, natural things that we have. We need to take care of our earth, and this is too much of a risk for us. 3 out 3 nuclear dumps that we've had before have all leaked, and there's a huge chance that this one would too.
17	I live in London Ontario. We get a large portion of our drinking water from an intake north of Grand Bend which is not far south of Goderich. I object to there being even the remotest chance that our drinking water could be contaminated by radioactive waste, no matter how small the concentrations. Since the radioactivity will be present for over 100,000 years, the changes become very large that there will be contamination at some point.
18	i feel that is is a bad idea, we should not be putting a nuclear dump near our clean water. nothing is predictable and we can't promise that it wont leak like the past 3 have before.
19	This is where most people in Southwestern Ontario get their drinking water, it seems ridiculous to take the risk of putting a nuclear radioactive dump site anywhere near the Great Lakes.
20	Even if there is a low risk involved, it is senseless and shortsighted to put such harmful materials under one of the largest fresh water reserves in the world. Even if the risk is low this is not a matter to gamble on
21	Please DO NOT dump waste in our drinking water. Fresh water lakes need to be protected from ANY potential disaster or harm. Put the waste in Hornepayne ON
22	Please select another site to ensure that there is no leakage into the Great Lakes and to enable supervision of this dangerous material over a time period of many generations.
23	20 percent of the world's fresh water is found in Canada, but less than half of it is considered renewable. STOP ruining the very little fresh water we have in the world with garbage that lasts 100,000 years. We are already running out with the high population consumption! Do the math!
24	This is a risk that could impact across millennium. It's not worth the risk.
25	Families depend on this water. Go take a walk on a hot day by the great lakes and you will see how many people are there enjoying their time together. How can a company even justify dumping toxic waste so close to such a valuable natural resource!! Horrible possible consequences if a leak occurred which one for sure will.
26	Canada's fresh water is SACRED to its citizens. We need this water for agriculture, fishing, sustaining life to name a view! This application would critically jeopardize the only source of water MILLIONS of people need to survive. Take the nuclear power plant devastation in Fukushima for example. Those plants exploded (after a Tsunami) releasing astronomical amounts of radiation into the air and water, now for generations to come, people will be threatened with cancer, other deadly diseases and be forced to endure the pain because their government refuses to face the realities of the repercussions a complete nuclear plant meltdown on the outskirts of the biggest city in the world. What if this repository for radioactive waste, at the bottom of Lake Huron, a source of fresh water for millions of Canadians, were to completely fail and pollute our water? Radioactive waste has been around for more than 50 years and the world still has no solution as to where to displace it. At the bottom of a fresh water lake is NOT a solution, this is a betrayal to Canadians and Americans who access the water on a daily basis. THIS NEEDS TO BE STOPPED!
27	It is ridiculous to even think of dumping so close to water? Families and animals depend on the clean water
28	I'm not willing to take a chance on any science that thinks it can predict 100,000 years ahead. A mistake could cost 40 million citizens their livelihood and their health and the health of future generations

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29	This is a no brainer for our grand children's sake do not allow this to happen.
30	This is the most important source of fresh water in this part of Canada and the U.S. it is insane to take a chance by installing this facility there.
31	Please don't let them do this!
32	We cannot take the chance to contaminate the Great Lakes water system forever. It would be the death sentence for everyone and everything from Lake Huron to the St. Lawrence River and beyond. Humans are not infallible. The best engineering, and the best brains behind it, consistently fail. There are lots of examples in dam building, bridge building, and space shuttle building to name a few. This plan by Bruce Nuclear must not be approved.
33	I adamantly oppose the dumping of Nuclear waste or any waste that is certainly going to cause irreversible damage to the health of the Great Lakes Watershed, ecosystems as well as the human communities. I cannot believe this is even a consideration. Shame on those who presume to be so callous and thoughtless to propose such an arrogant and violent program of destruction against all of us here in Ontario and around the Great Lakes region.
34	It would be insanity to do this at the planned site. There is no logic to it whatsoever. It is a dangerous proposal. We must think ahead to future generations and to the future of our country.
35	Do we need to risk nuclear contamination of our Great Lakes? Really?
36	if you do this there will always be an impending risk that our waters can be effected by this for many people the great lakes are more than bodies of water their a way of life. not only that but it the economy could be effected too if problems ever arise.there is alot at risk our water our lives and our wildlife will be harmed this is an idiotic idea to make money find some where else. where it wont be as much of a threat.
37	I am a resident of London, Ontario, which receives much of its drinking water from Lake Huron. A nuclear waste dump next to our water supply threatens the health of the citizens of London as well as millions of others.
38	You cannot seriously think of putting at any degree of risk the drinking water for many millions of North Americans
39	THIS NUCLEAR DUMP SHOULD NEVER HAPPEN ANYWHERE NEAR OUR GREAT LAKES OR THEIR TRIBUTARIES.
40	You might not care but our grandchildren, etc. will pay the price of not having 'clean' drinking water and then what??
41	In today's world there is no justification for such a project. It does not work long term and to threaten the water supply for a whole continent - when water is already under threat - is not just stupid and irresponsible but CRIMINAL.
42	I remember well the effects of the underground salt caverns being used to store tetrachloroethylene (dry cleaning agent) in Sarnia, ON Canada. If you haven't heard about the "blob" that 'grew' in the St. Clair River back in the mid 80's- believe me it's a history NOT WORTH REPEATING. Even though scientists foretold of the riverbed being contaminated "EVENTUALLY" (which took about 50 yrs, but it happened) the industry ignored the pleas and the poison continues to grow in that waterway to this day. Are we doomed to continue to poison ourselves right out of existence? I hope not for my grandchildren's sake and those future generations yet unknown to me.
43	What in the world are you politicians thinking...we need to protect our fresh water sources! You need to go back and rethink the location. Anywhere else far away from lakes and rivers!

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44	Even with the safest planning and engineering, accidents happen. Do not make the mistake of creating the potential for catastrophe! Do not allow this project to happen!
45	Nuclear waste close to the largest source of global freshwater and the water table that services MILLIONS of people. INSANITY. Those who are responsible need to be confronted and stopped.
46	I oppose the option to dispose nuclear waste near Lake Huron and believe there has to be another viable option that doesn't put our health (including water source) at risk now and in the future.
47	It is ludicrous that OPG wants to bury this nuclear waste within such close proximity to Lake Huron that provides drinking water to millions of Canadians and Americans. Not sure what they are thinking.
48	Pure danger!!
49	It should be stored NOT near our water supply!
50	I can't believe that this is even being considered. Sickening! Politicians need to remember who they work for and start listening!
51	Not worth the risk. Do not jeopardize the greatest part of our continent.
52	There must be thousands of safer locations to store the radioactive waste than next to a fresh water lake. WAKE UP !!!
53	We need to find an alternate solution to this problem. Burying this toxic waste is a death sentence to our beloved environment. This is the worst idea we could have possibly come up with for disposing of this waste.
54	Canada is a large country. There are other places to put this waste
55	Do you really give any consideration to the next generation? How many thousands of miles and millions of people do the Great Lakes serve. Next time you have a drink of water or a nice shower, think about what is happening. Even if you wash from a sink. Science has proven toxins leak and are carcinogenic.....we can't see the poisons but they are there!!!!!! Look at yourself in the mirror and be thankful you have hair on your head because cancer hasn't taken it.
56	My 10 year old daughter even thinks this is the dumbest thing she's ever heard and she's right. How can someone in a position of power be so irresponsible. Surely there is a more suitable place to dispose of this toxic waste.
57	Do not pollute and destroy our environment any further
58	Don't be stupid and polute our drinking water (nothing is full proof) for future generations
59	Bad idea..I'm against this..if we poison our water we're in trouble!
60	Lake huron is the lake in which hundreds of of thousands of Ontarian residents take their children to swim. Animals live in this water. Theres cottages surrounding all of lake huron. I cant believe this is even being considered. How would these people like to live beside a waste dump and watch their children and parents get cancer from the toxins? It is the same situation. This CANNOT happen. We need to be saving our earth, thinking of ways to do so, and this definitely is not one. This company needs to reevaluate their morals.
61	Please don't continue to doom our species!!!
62	Absolutely not...what is wrong with you people ?

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63	don't do it!!
64	This is an outrage and reflects poorly on all Canadians and our role in the global environmental community. I really thought that with what we now know, we would be more socially conscious than this. We should be striving toward higher standards and being positive role models for change. I hope we can come together and put a stop to this!
65	To use an area this close to one of our greatest natural resources is way too risky. Please seek a less dangerous alternative.
66	Burying nuclear waste anywhere near the largest bodies of fresh water in the world is just sheer stupidity! The fact that our current government is even considering this just underscores their own ignorance and the dire need for a change of leadership.
67	By dumping/burying nuclear waste in our Great Lakes, you are endangering the lives of people in two countries who depend on drinking water and enjoy swimming/recreational activities! I hope these nuclear companies are prepared to fork out thousands of dollars for medical expenses for us all! You're ruining our environment! SAVE THE GREAT LAKES!!
68	Nope. The thought of nuclear waste dumping near The Great Lakes sickens me. The fact that they comfortably say they can monitor anything for 100,000 years adds more frustration.
69	We must stop this! this is a crime!
70	With water becoming a scarce resource, at an alarming rate, to put our water in harms way, is ludicrous. This plan needs to be scrapped, and whoever is behind this idea needs to be off 'the planning committee.'
71	If anyone honestly feels this is fool proof, you are sadly mistaken. How much more can we take from our earth? All man made materials have room for error.
72	FOR THE HEALTH OF ALL ARE FUTURE CHILDREN THIS MUST BE STOPPED
73	Its MADNESS to do this... what is wrong with people?!
74	This is unacceptable! We know the dangers of this and yet we may allow this to happen? There are other sources for energy which we need to consider!!! Stop this from being developed!
75	Disgusting that this is even being debated. We are fortunate enough to be situated by one of the largest fresh water sources in the world. Should be protected without question!
76	Please don't destroy our environment!! Especially from a source of power that isn't needed, now that renewable energy is the way of the future. You bury the spent rods and you could be hurting the future generations. Thank yoy
77	This cannot happen for the health of our generation but especially for those in the next century who will see this radioactive waste seep into water and soil beside both the largest freshwater source in the world and some of the world's best agricultural land. This is a crime against humanity if it goes ahead.
78	Stop damaging what we evolved from. If we don't, we'll be our own downfall. The earth is only habitable if we live symbiotically with it and don't kill it. So stop money mongering and be better.
79	Stop the madness
80	We drink Lake Huron. We must protect our water supply. Nuclear waste is not safe now, in 10 years, in 100 years, or in 1,000 years.
81	Our water is too valuable to have this possible risk go on!

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82	The Great Lakes watershed contains a significant fraction of the fresh water on the entire planet. Under Precautionary Principles and harm reduction, the risk of contaminating this resource far outweighs any benefit to OPG or residents of the Great Lakes watershed.
83	You seriously want to potentially harm one of the largest fresh water sources on this planet ? These lakes are one of Canada's best natural beauty locations. Please don't destroy them by dumping waste near by.
84	What could possibly go wrong? Ask the residents of Goderich about August 2011. Just because something hasn't happened before doesn't mean it WON'T happen. We have felt quake tremors in London and " the Bruce" isn't that far away.
85	I am against having nuclear waste buried so closely to our largest supply of fresh water. Come on people use your head, accidents happen and we can't risk this.
86	Try putting health of Canadians over money please.
87	Absolutely no forethought or common sense.
88	Way too close to our fresh water supply. Extremely dangerous.
89	Please do not bury this nuclear waste anywhere in the Great Lakes Basin!
90	SAVE OUR WATER!!!
91	I think this is a horrible and dangerous idea.
92	Come on really? They are called "Great" for a reason. And it's not so you can rename them "Radioactive" Stop this insanity !
93	no waste dump should be near any bodies of water - this should be non-negotiable for public safety
94	We can not afford to take this risk no matter how much we are guaranteed it is safe.
95	Leave our lakes alone. They are one of our most precious resources.
96	Placing nuclear waste close to one of the biggest sources of fresh drinking water in all of North America is insanity. Think about the environment and the future . Without the environment THERE IS NO ECONOMY!
97	An unbelievably short-sighted plan, which will cause tremendous damage to the health of future Ontarians.
98	Too dangerous, especially in the most densely populated region of Canada...
99	Should this go ahead, rest assured any political party that ever agrees to this insidious display of reckless abandon and disregard for public safety, the safety our population now as well as our future generations, will never, I repeat NEVER receive my support, and will, instead, receive the loudest and most aggressive campaign against their platforms that they will wish they had never voted yes.
100	Come on! We have the fresh water lakes for drinking water. We are supposed to be care takers of this water. Stupid-est place for nuclear waste ever. Put it as far away from fresh drinking water as possible please!!!!
101	There is absolutely no excuse for such dangerous plans!!!!!!!!
102	Until there are guarantees that no leakage will occur we should not even think about risking our lakes, land, or air.
103	Whoever suggested this whole idea, should trade in whatever degrees and certificates they have, for some common sense.

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104	The Great Lakes are too important to a large percentage of Canadians to put them in jeopardy.
105	This is unbelievably stupid!
106	Please stop this project. Our water is precious!
107	This is absolutely not a measure that I endorse. There is a vast population surrounding our Great Lakes, our very source of life. You should have considered this issue when you first decided to turn on the reactors many years ago.....and are faced now with the disposal of decades of waste material. This is incredibly incompetent to think this would be an option in the first place.
108	I totally disagree with the burial of nuclear waste any where near the Great Lakes!
109	NOT acceptable... Why damage such a wonderful resource?
110	Ill informed concept
111	ENOUGH ALREADY!!!!
112	This is disgraceful
113	This is our drinking water! what will happen if the waste leaks into our water?! think!!
114	I don't like that it is so close to the lakes, it supplies water to too many people and could travel to the other great Lakes. It is a big risk to put so close. Move it further away to ensure there is no chance to contaminate the water
115	Please keep our water resources safe
116	Our Great Lakes are already too polluted and need to be reversed, not further threatened. Growing up on the beaches of a Lake Huron, we never never never had to close our beaches, due to the level of toxins.....these past few years, our beaches are closed regularly over the summer months. A Sarnia water front park is closed for levels of toxins they already know exist.....NO No No - to a Nuclear Dump site on the shores of a Lake Huron or any of the other great lakes. Why would you even consider it!?!
117	ridiculous
118	It disgusting that this would even be considered.
119	Stop this madness
120	This is a very dumb and DANGEROUS idea!
121	Water is now more than ever too important to risk.
122	Find a better way to deal with your waste! Please!!!
123	Storing radioactive waste so close to the Great Lakes is an action I strongly disagree with. Taking any chance with such a large and rare freshwater resource is irresponsible and incredibly shortsighted.