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## **We the Nuclear Free North Opposes NWMO Plans to Abandon Nuclear Waste in NW Ontario**

### **Information Display in Kakabeka Falls This Weekend**

**Kakabeka Falls** – *We the Nuclear Free North*, the recent Northern Ontario alliance of Indigenous and non-Indigenous volunteers and organizations, continues to deliver a clear message across Northwestern Ontario: the risks of nuclear waste transportation and burial are too high and the voices of Northern Ontario residents must be heard.

This coming weekend, in response to news that the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) will bring their Mobile Learn More Centre to Kakabeka Falls, *We the Nuclear Free North* will host an information display outside the Kakabeka Hotel at 4756 Hwy. 11/17 in Kakabeka Falls on **Saturday, Oct. 2 and Sunday, Oct. 3 from 10 am to 3 pm.**

The NWMO is a corporation made up of provincial utilities that operate nuclear reactors. It is proposing to send multiple truckloads of highly radioactive waste to its selected site every day for at least forty years. The NWMO is currently studying a site in the Revell Lake area, in the District of Kenora 40 km west of Ignace, and another site in Southwestern Ontario, in Bruce County.

“This is not an issue for one community - it is an issue for the entire region,” commented Dodie LeGassick, a spokesperson for Environment North. “If the NWMO selects the potential disposal site west of Ignace, several shipments of high-level nuclear waste could be trucked through Kakabeka Falls daily, for forty years.”

The group points out on their web site [WeTheNuclearFreeNorth.ca](http://WeTheNuclearFreeNorth.ca) that there is no other operating deep geological repository for high-level waste anywhere in the world. The website provides information about technical and scientific uncertainties that surround the controversial concept.

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