

Township of La Vallee

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We the Nuclear Free North Sent Via Email

At the open regular Council Meeting of the Township of La Vallee held on Wednesday, March 13, 2024 the following resolution was passed:

"WHEREAS The Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) has been in the process of investigating potential sites for a deep geological repository for high-level nuclear waste from all of Canada's nuclear power reactors since 2010; and

WHEREAS the NWMO project involves the transportation, processing, burial and abandonment of an estimated 100,000 tonnes of highly radioactive waste; and

WHEREAS there are scientific and public concerns about the risks of radioactive exposures along the transportation route and in the region of and downstream from the repository site under both normal operating and accident conditions; and

WHEREAS the roads infrastructure in Northwestern Ontario is already under strain from heavy truck and vehicle traffic and the NWMO project will add 2-3 trucks per day for more than fifty years thereby increasing the risks; and

WHEREAS communities in Northern Ontario do not rely on nuclear power and should not be burdened with the risks of transportation, processing, burial and abandonment of the highly radioactive wastes the nuclear power reactors have produced.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Council for the Township of

La Vallee urges the Nuclear Waste Management Organization to find storage solutions for nuclear waste in the vicinity of the reactor stations where the waste is and not pursue the transport of these radioactive wastes to Northern Ontario."

If you should have any further questions or concerns please feel free to contact me at the above number.

Yours truly,

Patti McDowall Clerk/Treasurer

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