

**RESOLUTION REGARDING THE NUCLEAR WASTE MANAGEMENT ORGANIZATION'S
NUCLEAR WASTE TRANSPORTATION AND BURIAL PROJECT**

WHEREAS the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) is a consortium of nuclear power companies whose mission is to site and develop a deep geological repository for high-level nuclear waste from all of Canada's nuclear power reactors; and

WHEREAS the NWMO's project includes developing a deep geological repository at the Revell site between Ignace and Dryden in the heart of Treaty 3 territory in northwestern Ontario; and

WHEREAS the NWMO project involves transportation, processing, burial and abandonment of an estimated 140,000 tonnes of highly radioactive nuclear fuel 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 a nuclear waste burial repository site under both normal operating and accident conditions; and

WHEREAS there is no deep geological repository for high-level radioactive waste operating anywhere in the world; and

WHEREAS there are many scientific and technical uncertainties related to deep geological repositories; and

WHEREAS NWMO's project remains in a conceptual stage of development; and

WHEREAS the NWMO emphasized for over a decade that it would not proceed without an "informed and willing host", but has excluded those living downstream and along the transportation route from its definition of "host" and from its determination of willingness; and

WHEREAS Grand Council Treaty #3, Nishnawbi Aski Nation, Anishnabek Nation and many individual First Nations and municipalities and public interest groups along the transportation route and downstream from the site have expressed their opposition to the NWMO's project, making it clear that they are not willing; and

WHEREAS the NWMO has declared that they have two willing hosts, Ignace and Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation, despite Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation's having expressed "willingness" only for site characterization, and having specified that this does not signify approval of the project; and

WHEREAS a federal impact assessment of the NWMO's project commenced on January 5th, 2026.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT _____ (name of organization) urges the federal government to direct the owners of high-level nuclear waste (Ontario Power Generation, Hydro Quebec and New Brunswick Power) to establish secure storage solutions for the nuclear waste in the vicinity of their reactor stations – where the waste has been generated and is currently stored – as an alternative to the NWMO project; and

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the federal government ensure that the impact assessment and regulatory and licensing processes for the NWMO project are comprehensive and include the impacts and risks of nuclear waste transportation and processing, the long-term safety of the project, and alternatives to the project and alternative means of carrying out project activities including nuclear waste transfers, transportation and processing.

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Organization Sault Naturalists - volunteer

Signed by Judith Falkner