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Cleanup & Waste Management Recommendations

No Cleanup on the Cheap: Protect People and the Environment

- Lifecycle cleanup costs are growing faster than the annual budget. Face these liabilities to better manage increasing contamination and future costs.
- Stop the shortcuts and do it right.
- Fight environmental injustice. Protect and empower Frontline Communities now and in the future. Fund meaningful public involvement transparency is critical.

Don't Fund Consolidated Interim Storage (CIS) for Commercial Irradiated Nuclear Fuel

- Cut funding for federal interim storage.
- Require Hardened On-Site Storage (HOSS). Keep nuclear waste as close to the generating site as possible until there is a socially acceptable, scientifically suitable repository.
- Consent based siting for nuclear waste facilities needs broad-based, full, free, prior, and informed consent. Bribery is not consent.
- Don't Fund the Yucca Mountain repository.

No New Waste - No New Reactors, No Relicensing, Oppose Subsidies

- Stop funding new nuclear reactors and closed reactor restarts. They create more waste.
- Oppose relicensing existing nuclear reactors.
- Oppose subsidies for bailouts at old reactors and for prolonging operations. These also create more waste.

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Nuclear Weapons Recommendations

Stop New Warheads

- Biden's FY25 budget request does not include the nuclear Sea-Launched Cruise Missile or its warhead (W80-4 ALT). Congress should not authorize or appropriate any funding for this system.
- The warhead for the Sentinel ICBM should be terminated or re-scoped to allow full use of available W87-0s. The W87-1 funding should be reduced or eliminated.
- The W93 should be terminated, and the 1.2 megaton B83 bomb, currently slated for retirement at an unnamed time, should be fully retired in FY25.

Stop New Bomb Plants

- Funding for NNSA's "Plutonium Modernization" should be cut. Congress should mandate a new pit aging study and NNSA should complete a new Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement.
- Congress should demand a full accounting of cost overruns at the Uranium Processing Facility.
- Expansion of the Kansas City National Security Complex should be subject to public review under the National Environmental Policy Act.

Support Rule of Law and Nuclear Disarmament

- The U.S. should honor the 1970 Non-Proliferation Treaty's Article VI mandate to "pursue negotiations in good faith on effective measures relating to cessation of the nuclear arms race at an early date and to nuclear disarmament..."
- Congress should pass H.Res.77. The U.S. should support the Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons.
- The U.S. should withdraw nuclear bombs from Europe.

Increase Oversight and Accountability

- Congress should strictly require credible cost estimates and integrated master schedules at the beginning of all NNSA nuclear weapon modernization programs and major infrastructure projects.
- Congress should implement legislation similar to the Nunn-McCurdy Act, tailored specifically to the NNSA's acquisitions and operations.