March 15, 2018

WV Cleanup and the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS)

DOE/NYSERDA SCOPING HEARINGS

***How to Prepare My Testimony and Submit Comments***

PUBLIC HEARING

Here are some tips in preparing your comments for the Scoping Hearing on West Valley Nuclear Waste Facility on March 19, 20 and 21. **Register to speak** by contacting martin.krentz@emcbc.doe.gov or 716-942-4007

**You will be given 5 minutes to speak**. Out of respect for everyone else, please abide time limit.

* **Remember this formula: 1 minutes = 150 words**
* Write down your comments and practice them so you are familiar with what you want to say and present more comfortably.

**Decide in advance** what points you want to make at the public hearing.

* Be sure to include ‘FULL CLEANUP’ OF THE SITE.
* Don’t try to say everything in 5 minutes. Remember that you can file additional comments on the digital docket so focus on the points most important to you.
* Include some facts – check out the ‘talking points’ provided on <niagarasierraclub.com>
* Bring in a personal aspect if possible. *Speak about how the existence of West Valley and all the nuclear waste impacts you or your family. Do you know anyone who has been harmed by nuclear waste? What are your fears??*

**Bring a written copy** of your comments to hand to the DOE / NYSERDA officials after speaking.

SUBMITTING A COMMENT ON THE FEDERAL REGISTER

Write down comments or an outline of what you want to say. You can submit more than once!!

**OPEN**

<https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/02/21/2018-03493/notice-of-intent-to-prepare-a-supplemental-environmental-impact-statement-for-decommissioning-andor>

**HIT THE GREEN BOX** “Submit a Formal Comment”

**FOLLOW INSTRUCTION**: Write your comments in the box provided. You can attach files per instructions.

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More about West Valley Nuclear Waste Facility and SEIS process: [www.SEISWestValleySite.com](http://www.SEISWestValleySite.com) and <https://www.wv.doe.gov/Document_Index/ASER_2016/2016_ASER.pdf>

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*Scoping Hearings for Final Cleanup at West Valley Nuclear Waste Site*

West Valley Scoping meetings for the Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement SEIS

Final Decisions on Disposition of Nuclear Waste at West Valley Nuclear Waste Site

**PROTECT OUR WATERS**

Protect the Great Lakes, Our Health and Future Generations

What is “Scoping?” Scoping is a public process to secure wide public input into what issues and information the whole Environmental Impact Statement should cover and include. It determines the outline for what will be covered and considered in the Environmental Impact Statement leading to the final decisions on cleanup of the site. There will be 3 scoping meetings:

Monday, **March 19**, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**West Valley Volunteer Hose Company**, Inc., Firemen’s Memorial Hall and Training, 9091 Route 240, West Valley, NY 14171, in the Main Hall.

Tuesday, **March 20**, 2018, from 6:00p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**Erie Community College, City Campus,** Post Office Building, 121 Ellicott Street, Buffalo, NY 14203, in the Minnie Gillette Auditorium.

Wednesday, **March 21**, 2018, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

**Seneca Nation of Indians Cattaraugus Council Chambers**, 12837 Route 438, Irving, NY 14081

 **Everyone is encouraged to speak at these meetings for just 5 minutes.**

However, **you must register to speak** by contacting the DOE Document manager, Martin Krentz 716-942-4007 or email martin.krentz@emcbc.doe.gov

Written comments will also be accepted at these meetings. You have until April 23, 2018 to submit comments on the West Valley Docket at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/02/21/2018-03493/notice-of-intent-to-prepare-a-supplemental-environmental-impact-statement-for-decommissioning-andor>

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More Information on the Hearing is available on the SEIS website at [www.SEISWestValleySite.com](http://www.SEISWestValleySite.com)

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