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1 My name is Cathy Wissbeck. As a citizen of Caliente and Lincoln County, I am here to express my opposition to the transportation and storage of Nuclear Waste at Yucca Mountain and the transportation of high level nuclear waste through Caliente and Lincoln County.

Secondly, as a bookstore owner I spend a good part of the day discussing local politics with residents and customers. It is unsettling to hear the number of people who are afraid to express their opposition on this subject openly — for fear of losing their jobs in this economically depressed area — run by so few.

Fortunately, the situation was alleviated somewhat when we won the fight to get an initiative on the ballot and voters could express their opinion at the ballot box. However, those of us who would like to have our data distributed are stymied by the lack of funds, slick propaganda fliers and the hubris of many of our elected officials who feel their job is not to represent us but rather their own vested interests.

You spent a good part of the day listening to those of us who have spent years researching and studying Nuclear power and the difficulties that pertain to it's use.

Please also try to hear the voices that feel constrained to keep their silence.

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