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NRC to Hold Public Meetings in Maryland and Nevada on Yucca Mountain Environmental Report Supplement

The Nuclear Regulatory Commission staff will hold a series of public meetings at agency headquarters in Rockville, Md., and in Nevada to seek public comment on a supplement to the Department of Energy's Environmental Impact Statement for a proposed geologic high-level nuclear waste repository at Yucca Mountain.

The draft supplement, which evaluates the proposed repository's potential impacts on groundwater and from surface discharges of groundwater, was released on Aug. 13. The public comment period begins today, with publication of a notice in the [Federal Register](#) and ends Oct. 20. The NRC staff will hold a public conference call Aug. 26 from 2-3 p.m. Eastern Time to explain how to submit comments. Call-in information is available on the [NRC website](#). Procedures for submitting comments are also explained in today's *Federal Register* notice.

The first public meeting to present the draft supplement's findings and accept public comments will be held Sept. 3 from 3-5 p.m. at NRC Headquarters, Commission Hearing Room, 11555 Rockville Pike in Rockville. Call-in and webcast information will be available on the [NRC's Public Meetings Page](#) for anyone unable to attend in person.

Two subsequent meetings will be held in Nevada on Sept. 15 at the Embassy Suites Convention Center, 3600 Paradise Road in Las Vegas, and Sept. 17 at the Amargosa Community Center, 821 E. Amargosa Farm Road, in Amargosa Valley. Both meetings will run from 7-9 p.m. Pacific Time. NRC staff members will be available for an open house for one hour before each of the Nevada meetings to meet informally with members of the public.

On Oct. 15, the NRC staff will conduct a final public meeting by conference call, from 2-4 p.m. Eastern Time. Phone line information will be posted on the [Public Meetings Page](#).