

Subject: Muckaty
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I strongly contest the use of Muckaty as a waste dump!

The nomination of Muckaty as a site has not been made with full and informed consent of ALL Traditional Owners, and there are Muckaty Traditional Owners who are distressed and in opposition to the use of Muckaty as a dump.

I am also concerned that Section 11 of the Bill explicitly overrides any state or territory laws that would hinder site selection.

Section 12 then eliminates Aboriginal interests (the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Heritage Protection Act 1984) and environmental interests (the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999) from the process of choosing a site.

Section 13 eliminates the property rights of any individual unlucky enough to be in the path of the dump or its access corridors.

Nuclear waste should be moved as little as possible, and should be stored above ground close to the point of production, close to centres of nuclear expertise and infrastructure. There are too many dangers associated with the transportation of waste across Australia!

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