

**Meeting of
The Blue Ribbon Commission on America's Nuclear Future (BRC)
In cooperation with
The Western Governors' Association (WGA)**

**September 13, 2011
Embassy Suites Hotel, 1420 Stout Street, Denver, CO**

DRAFT Agenda (Rev. 6– 8/31/11)

- 7:45 a.m. Registration
- 8:15 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions** Moderator
- BRC Welcome/Introduction (BRC Commissioner)
 - WGA Welcome/Introduction: Pam Inmann, WGA Executive Director
 - Moderator: Meeting purpose and logistics
- 8:30 a.m. **The Blue Ribbon Commission Draft Report:** John Kotek, BRC Staff Director
Key recommendations
- 9:00 a.m. **Implementation Guidelines for a Reformulated Nuclear Waste Program:
Themes from a WGA White Paper**
- Introduction: The need for more specific implementation guidelines: Jennifer Salisbury, WGA.
 - *An integrated national waste management strategy addressing principles of fairness and equity:* Barbara Byron, WGA/Western Interstate Energy Board (WIEB), High Level Waste (HLW) Committee
 - *Specific authorities and processes regarding federal agency interactions with prospective host states:* Robert Halstead, WGA/WIEB HLW Committee
 - *System design for cross-country transportation:* Ken Niles, WGA/WIEB HLW Committee
- 9:50 a.m. **Break**
- 10:05 a.m. **Individual state, local and tribal reactions to the BRC draft**
1. States:
 - Utah: John Pearce, General Counsel, Gov. Gary Herbert
 - Nevada: Joesph Strolin, Director, NV Agency for Nuclear Projects
 - Washington: Suzanne Dahl, WA Dept. of Ecology, Section Manager, Nuclear Waste Program
 - Idaho: Susan Burke, Idaho National Laboratory Oversight Coordinator
 2. Local Government: John Heaton, Former NM State Legislator (Carlsbad, NM)

3. Tribal Government: Gabriel Bohnee (Nez Perce)
4. State Legislators: Sally Jameson (National Council of State Legislators, Executive Committee.)

11:30 a.m. **The State Role: A Mini-Forum**

- Earl Potter, Potter & Mills, PA; Counsel for NM-WIPP Relations (1997-2007)
- Goeffrey Fettus, Natural Resources Defense Council
- Richard Moore, Pronghorn Engineering, Billings MT

12:15 p.m. **Lunch** (no host)

1:15 p.m. **Facilitated discussion of Key Questions: All Attendees**

What specific steps should be taken to improve interactions between the federal government and western states and directly affected tribes and localities in any reformulated program for nuclear waste management?

How should these steps apply to the siting of consolidated interim storage facilities and geological disposal facilities, and to the definition of cross-country transportation routes?

3:15 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m. **Public Comments**: from those that have signed up.

4:30 p.m. **Meeting Wrap-up**

Moderator summarizes the input received.
John Kotek outlines next BRC steps

4:45 p.m. **Meeting Adjourned**