

Walk for a Nuclear-Free Future 2010 Northern Route

Initiated by Nipponzan Myohoji Buddhist Order



Western New York to the United Nations in New York City
(March 7 – May 2, 2010, a total of 700 miles)

Each Step Will Be A Prayer Toward A Nuclear-Free Future

▪ **ABOLITION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS - AN END TO NUCLEAR POWER** ▪

We wish to call attention to the 2010 NPT Review Conference at UN in May 2010. With increased support of public opinion, our new US President will be encouraged to abolish the use of nuclear weapons.

PEACE WALK ROUTE (Northern Route)

► **Western New York to NYC:** West Valley Nuclear Waste Site, Six Nations Native American territories, Syracuse (National Guard base, soon to be a home to MQ-9, the first hunter-killer unmanned aerial vehicles), Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant. (See reverse side for the complete itinerary and a list of supporting organizations.)

■ Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT)

This treaty's objective is to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and weapons technology, to promote cooperation in the peaceful uses of nuclear energy and to further the goal of achieving nuclear disarmament and general and complete disarmament. A total of 190 parties have joined the Treaty, including the five nuclear-weapon States (US, UK, Russia, France, China). The Treaty has been reviewed at the UN every five years and the next review conference is scheduled to begin May 3, 2010.

■ Think Outside the Bomb

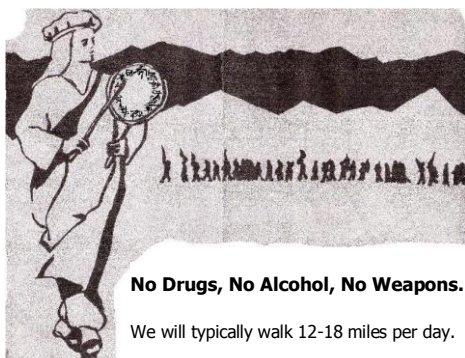
The nuclear fuel cycle is an inherently dangerous process that is destructive to the health, environment and economies of all peoples irrespective of political boundaries. Many of toxic and radioactive wastes, both from nuclear weapons and energy production, will remain radioactive for tens of thousands of years, if not for millions of years. Despite no place or technology to isolate the waste as long as it is radioactively hazardous, the nuclear industry creates more and more.

■ Suffering of Indigenous People

The Walk will visit Six Nations of Native American territories in New York State. Historically and currently, the native communities—from uranium miners to tribal communities targeted with nuclear waste dumps—bear a disproportionate burden of risk from the nuclear fuel cycle.

■ West Valley

West Valley is a complex radioactive waste site located 30 miles south of Buffalo. The site has high-level, so-called “low-level,” transuranic and mixed (radioactive and hazardous) wastes buried, stored and leaking. Geologically the site is in a bedrock valley that is expected to erode into the Great Lakes in centuries to come, but the nuclear waste buried at the site will remain dangerously radioactive much longer than the projected erosion rate.



No Drugs, No Alcohol, No Weapons.

We will typically walk 12-18 miles per day.

Please join us by walking for an hour, a day, or for the entirety. You can support us by organizing a community potluck, a sharing circle, a visit to your mayor, a place for our walkers to sleep, or a coverage by the local media. Also please keep this walk in your thought and prayer.

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This is a part of collaborated interfaith peace walks toward NPT conference in NYC. There are two other routes: from Oak Ridge, TN (Southern Route) and from Burlington, VT (Eastern Route).

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Northern Route (3/7/10-5/2/10)**

(Last updated 02/25/10)

Date		Point of Departure		Destination		Miles
	3/6	Sat	Opening Ceremony (Steamburg)			
Day 1	3/7	Sun	Steamburg (Cold Spring Territory, Seneca Nation)	Salamanca (Allegany Territory, Seneca Nation)		12
Day 2	3/8	Mon	Salamanca	Ellicottville		12
Day 3	3/9	Tue	Ellicottville	Rt. 219 & County Rd. 85		10
Day 4	3/10	Wed	Rt. 219 & County Rd. 85	Springville (via Rd. 85, West Valley Nuclear Waste Site)		10
Day 5	3/11	Thu	Springville	Gowanda (Cattaraugus Territory, Seneca Nation)		16
Day 6	3/12	Fri	Gowanda	Irving (Cattaraugus Territory, Seneca Nation)		16
Day 7	3/13	Sat	Irving (via Rt. 20)	Wanakah		14
Day 8	3/14	Sun	Wanakah	Buffalo		15
Day 9	3/15	Mon	Restday			
Day 10	3/16	Tue	Buffalo	Town of Tonawanda		11
Day 11	3/17	Wed	Town of Tonawanda	Lewiston (Tuscarora Nation)		18
Day 12	3/18	Thu	Lewiston	Lockport		15
Day 13	3/19	Fri	Lockport	Akron (Tonawanda Territory, Seneca Nation)		18
Day 14	3/20	Sat	Medina	Albion		12
Day 15	3/21	Sun	Albion	Brockport		15
Day 16	3/22	Mon	Brockport	Rochester		18
Day 17	3/23	Tue	Restday			
Day 18	3/24	Wed	Rochester	Farmington		18
Day 19	3/25	Thu	Farmington	Canandaigua		15
Day 20	3/26	Fri	Canandaigua	Geneva		16
Day 21	3/27	Sat	Geneva	Seneca Falls		13
Day 22	3/28	Sun	Seneca Falls	Union Springs (Cayuga Farm)		15
Day 23	3/29	Mon	Union Springs (Cayuga Farm)	Genoa (Rt 90 & NY 34B)		15
Day 24	3/30	Tue	Genoa (Rt 90 & NY 34B)	Ithaca		18
Day 25	3/31	Wed	Restday			
Day 26	4/1	Thu	Ithaca	Dryden		13
Day 27	4/2	Fri	Dryden	Cortland		14
Day 28	4/3	Sat	Cortland	Tully		12
Day 29	4/4	Sun		Onondaga Nation		12
Day 30	4/5	Mon	Onondaga Nation	Syracuse (National Guard Hancock Airport)		14
Day 31	4/6	Tue	Restday			
Day 32	4/7	Wed	Syracuse	Chittenango		15
Day 33	4/8	Thu	Chittenango	Oneida Nation		12
Day 34	4/9	Fri	Oneida Nation	Rome		16
Day 35	4/10	Sat	Rome	Utica		16
Day 36	4/11	Sun	Utica	Herkimer		16
Day 37	4/12	Mon	Herkimer	St. Johnsville		14
Day 38	4/13	Tue	St. Johnsville	Palatine Bridge		13
Day 39	4/14	Wed	Palatine Bridge	Fonda (Mohawk Community)		12
Day 40	4/15	Thu	Restday			
Day 41	4/16	Fri	Fonda	Amsterdam		14
Day 42	4/17	Sat	Amsterdam	Schenectady		17
Day 43	4/18	Sun	Schenectady	Albany		16
Day 44	4/19	Mon	Albany	Ravena		15
Day 45	4/20	Tue	Ravena	Athens		16
Day 46	4/21	Wed	Athens	Saugarties		17
Day 47	4/22	Thu	Restday			
Day 48	4/23	Fri	Saugarties	Kingston		13
Day 49	4/24	Sat	Kingston	Highland		16
Day 50	4/25	Sun	Highland	Newburgh		16
Day 51	4/26	Mon	Newburgh	Highland Falls (Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant)		13
Day 52	4/27	Tue	Highland Falls	Stony Point		12
Day 53	4/28	Wed	Stony Point	Nyack		12
Day 54	4/29	Thu	Nyack	Englewood, NJ		15
Day 55	4/30	Fri	Restday			
Day 56	5/1	Sat	Englewood, NJ	New York City (United Nations Plaza)		13
Day 57	5/2	Sun	National Rally at United Nations Plaza, New York City			
				(Total mileage)		706
	5/3	Mon	NPT review conference starts			

Supported by:

Catholic Workers; Center for Health, Environment & Justice; Citizens Campaign for the Environment; Citizens' Environmental Coalition; CODEPINK; Fellowship of Reconciliation (FOR); FootPrints for Peace; Global Network Against Weapon and Nuclear Power in Space; Grandmothers for Peace; Indigenous Women's Initiatives; Mayors for Peace; New York Regional AFSC; Nuclear Information & Resource Service (NIRS); Pax Christi; Peace Action; Sierra Club; Syracuse Peace Counsel; Veterans for Peace; Western New York Peace Center.