



# The 2015 NPT Peace Walk for a Nuclear Free Future

For Peace and the Planet | From San Francisco to the United Nations in New York City

Friday March 20<sup>th</sup> to Sunday Apr 26<sup>th</sup> (Detailed Schedule on Reverse Side)

2015 marks 70 years since the US atomic bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We have since learned their full impact, not just on the residents of those cities but on places and people where the uranium was mined, the bombs tested, the waste stored. We must end this chain of nuclear destruction. Carrying this urgent prayer, we walk to the Nuclear Non-proliferation Treaty Review Conference at the United Nations in New York City. **On the way, we visit Native American communities where people continue to suffer from all the stages of the nuclear chain. Many Pacific Islanders also still suffer from the effects of the testing on their islands.** We walk for a sustainable society where we can live in harmony with Mother Earth. Peace-walkers from Japan will report on the on-going nuclear power plant disaster at Fukushima.

- ❖ **Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty (NPT):** The treaty's objective is to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons and facilitate negotiations on their global elimination. Since 1970, a review conference has been held every five years. Although NPT Article VI mandates that all states commence negotiations for total elimination of nuclear weapons, little progress has been made due to lack of commitment from the nuclear-armed states. Further, Article IV promotes "peaceful use of nuclear technology." An investigation into the health of the communities near any site where uranium has been mined or waste is stored reveals that even if used solely as a source of power generation, the impacts of the nuclear chain are utterly destructive and unmanageable. We need to urge the nuclear powers to acknowledge this and call for an end to ALL nuclear technology for the survival of Mother Earth and all beings.
- ❖ **Lawrence Livermore Nuclear Laboratory:** Located east of San Francisco, the laboratory is one of two main research sites focused on updating nuclear weapons. They have developed such technologies as plutonium and the H-bomb.
- ❖ **Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant:** Located in Central California. The last operating nuclear power plant on the West Coast of North America, this plant stands on the sacred sites of the Chumash Tribe near thirteen earthquake faults.
- ❖ **Nevada Test Site:** The largest nuclear test site on the globe. From 1951 to 1992, a total of 928 nuclear tests (both atmospheric and underground) took place at the Nevada Test Site on the lands of the Western Shoshone tribe. Radioactive fallout creates downwind sickness even today. The nearby Yucca Mountain Nuclear Waste Repository is currently closed but efforts are underway to reopen it.
- ❖ **Big Mountain:** Located in Central Arizona, Big Mountain is an area rich in natural "resources" including uranium, coal and natural gas. The surrounding area was peacefully cohabited by the Navajo (Dineh) and Hopi peoples for generations. Since the encroachment of European settlers, the federal government has successfully pitted the two tribes against one another in the interest of land grabs, first for western expansion and then "resource" development. The Dineh have continually suffered from forced relocation; living in close proximity to massive extraction facilities; and being subjected to the jurisdiction of the Hopi Tribal Council, in which they are denied representation or participation. The late Nipponzon Myohoji monk Shimanuki Shonin made his life practice there.
- ❖ **West Valley:** In the suburbs of Buffalo, NY, massive amounts of radioactive nuclear waste are buried in West Valley and pose a great threat to the land and people of the Seneca Nation.
- ❖ **Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory:** Located outside of Albany, NY, the laboratory conducts research & development for the production of nuclear submarines.
- ❖ **Indian Point Power Plant:** This aging nuclear power plant is located less than 50 miles from Manhattan. The original 40-year operating license expired in 2013. The current license will expire in 2015.



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**No Drugs, No Alcohol, No Weapons.**  
**We will typically walk 12-18 miles per day.**  
**Join us for any amount of time.**  
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Date			Point of Departure	Destination
Day 1	3/20	Fri	8AM Richmond Bart Station	GP Warehouse 955 7 <sup>th</sup> Street Oakland (14 miles)
Day 2	3/21	Sat	10AM Embarcadero Bart SF (Stay at: Intertribal Friendship House 523 International Boulevard, Oak.) (10 miles)	
Day 3	3/22	Sun	8AM IFH Oak. (See address above)	United Church of Hayward 30540 Mission Blvd, Hayward (17 miles)
Day 4	3/23	Mon	8AM UCH Hayward (See address above)	IBEW 6250 Village Parkway, Dublin (15 Miles)
Day 5	3/24	Tue	7AM Dublin (See address above)	Lawrence Livermore Lab. Vigil with Tri-Valley CAREs 4:30 PM West Gate: Corner of Westgate Drive & Vasco Rd., Livermore. Stay at: United Christian Church 1886 College Avenue, Livermore (13 miles)
Day 6	3/25	Wed	Livermore (Shuttle to SLO)	San Luis Obispo (Shuttle)
Day 7	3/26	Thu	Diablo Canyon Nuclear Power Plant to San Luis Obispo, CA	
Day 8	3/27	Fri	San Luis Obispo	Los Angeles (Shuttle)
Day 9	3/28	Sat	Los Angeles (Stay at Nipponzan Myohoji, LA Dojo)	
Day 10	3/29	Sun	Los Angeles	Las Vegas, NV (Bus)
Day 11	3/30	Mon	Las Vegas- Join the walk "Nevada Desert Experiences"	
Day 12	3/31	Tue	Walking in the desert	
Day 13	4/1	Wed	Creech Drone Station	
Day 14	4/2	Thu	Nevada Test Site	
Day 15	4/3	Fri	Yucca Mt. Nuclear Waste Repository	
Day 16	4/4	Sat	Las Vegas, NV	Flagstaff, AZ (Bus)
Day 17	4/5	Sun	Flagstaff (Walk)	
Day 18	4/6	Mon	Cameron (Abandoned Uranium Mines)	
Day 19	4/7	Tue	To Big Mountain	
Day 20	4/8	Wed	Big Mountain	
Day 21	4/9	Thu	Flagstaff, AZ	Buffalo, NY (Night Flight /Bus)
Day 22	4/10	Fri	Arrive Buffalo, NY	
Day 23	4/11	Sat	Buffalo, NY to Hamburg	
Day 24	4/12	Sun	Walk 15 miles Hamburg from toward West Valley Nuclear Waste Site	
Day 25	4/13	Mon	Walk 15 miles between Hamburg and West Valley Nuclear Waste Site	
Day 26	4/14	Tue	West Valley Nuclear Waste Site to Gowanda	
Day 27	4/15	Wed	Walk around Cattaraugus Seneca Nation	
Day 28	4/16	Thu	Buffalo	Albany-Grafton Peace Pagoda (Amtrak or shuttle)
Day 29	4/17	Fri	Grafton Peace Pagoda	Troy
Day 30	4/18	Sat	North Central Troy	Saratoga Springs Peace Vigil noon to 1:00 then walk to Ballston Spa
Day 31	4/19	Sun	Ballston Spa	Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory (Niskayuna)
Day 32	4/20	Mon	Walk from Schenectady to Albany	Albany
Day 33	4/21	Tue	Shuttle from Albany to Stony Point	Walk from Stony Point to Vigil in front of Indian Point Nuclear Power Plant on west side of Hudson River
Day 34	4/22	Wed	"Earth Day" Walk from Peekskill to Indian Point	Walk from Indian Point to Croton on Hudson
Day 35	4/23	Thu	Stony Point	Nyack
Day 36	4/24	Fri	Nyack	Englewood, NJ
Day 37	4/25	Sat	Englewood	Fort Lee (Join with 2 other walks) cross GW Bridge
Day 38	4/26	Sun	Walking to United Nations (NY City) Joining International March to the UN <a href="http://www.peaceandplanet.org/">http://www.peaceandplanet.org/</a>	
	4/27	Mon	NPT Review Conference NPT (Prayer and Fasting)	