

HOW FUKUSHIMA AFFECTS YOU: *Follow the yellow brick road: JUNE 27, 2013*

STEP 1. Nuclear power is inextricably linked to nuclear weapons of mass destruction. Without nuclear plants, neither nuclear bombs nor Depleted Uranium can be manufactured.

STEP 2. *Nuclear power is not carbon-free technology.* A nuclear plant, from mining, milling, enrichment, construction, actual operation, decommissioning, waste storage, either by means of cooling ponds or casking, PLUS all the transportation involved each step of the way, produces an enormous carbon footprint, which contributes to climate collapse.

STEP 3. Nuclear plants require ten years to build. Nuclear energy is not a quick solution.

STEP 4. Health hazards from nuclear plants, which routinely release radiation into the atmosphere, include increased cancers and leukemias in people living near nuclear plants and in nuclear plant workers. Uranium mining has contaminated lands belonging to first peoples. GOOGLE: [America's Secret Fukushima Poisoning the Bread Basket of the World](#)

STEP 5. In the United States, (as in Japan), the nuclear industry watchdog is captive to the nuclear industry. It colludes with utility companies to conceal the dangers from U.S. citizens (and an already complicit media) of accidents and potential accidents to populations, landscapes, economies and farmland. E-mail correspondence between Southern California Edison, operator of San Onofre nuclear power plant, and the NRC proves that both parties knew the Mitsubishi steam generators were defective. SCE installed them anyway.

STEP 6. Following the three-meltdown catastrophe of March 11, 2011 in Japan, US sailors aboard US Navy ships off Fukushima are suing the Tokyo Electric Power Company for bodily contamination; less than one-fifth of the Japanese population was evacuated from the contaminated area; farmland permanently contaminated for food production is slowly being converted into solar farms; and every week, over 100,000 people hit the streets of Tokyo to demand that all 54 Japanese nuclear power plants be shut down for good.

STEP 7. Within five days following the explosions of March 11, unacceptably high levels of radiation swept across the United States. Los Angeles air radiation surged 419% on April 13 2013. In the first three months following the disaster, infant mortality showed a 35% increase in Boise, Seattle, Portland, Sacramento, the SF-Bay Area, and Sta. Cruz. Tuna taken off Alaska and Southern California is contaminated with high levels of radiation.

STEP 8. Then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton signed a secret agreement with Japan that the United States would continue to import Japanese foodstuffs without testing for radiation. One month following the disaster, the EPA shut down their radiation monitoring reporting.

Step 9. Despite US citizens' efforts to shut them down, all 23 G.E. Mark I reactors (the very same model that failed at Fukushima) continue operations. The NRC has not shut down a reactor since 1998. Both California's reactors and their cooling pools are located over earthquake faults. GOOGLE: [What CA Can Learn from Fukushima](#).

Step 10. In Sept. 2012, PM Abe announced Japan would become nuclear-free by 2030. A week later, in keeping with China-containment, the US gifted Japan with a missile early-warning system, and Abe's announcement was reversed. The US requires the continued operation of the Japanese nuclear industry to maintain its own domestic nuclear industry.