



Tri-Valley CAREs

Program Priorities for 2022-2023 in Rank Order

1. REMEDY AND PREVENT ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION: INVOLVE OUR FENCELINE COMMUNITIES

This priority addresses projects that may be revealed in Livermore Lab's upcoming Site Wide Environmental Impact Statement process. This is also about achieving a publicly accepted, comprehensive cleanup under the Superfund law of toxic and radioactive contamination from past activities at the Livermore Lab Main Site and Site 300. And, this priority seeks to proactively prevent pollution from Livermore Lab's current and proposed programs, including by addressing open-air bomb blasts at Site 300 and Livermore Lab Main Site's hazardous waste permit revisions. Through this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will increase public involvement in environmental decision-making. At the strategic level, this priority also covers our participation in the statewide CA Environmental Justice Coalition and other EJ activities, including translating our materials into Spanish.

2. STOP NEW NUCLEAR BOMBS AND BOMB PLANTS

This is about preventing the development of new and modified U.S. nuclear weapons – and the new factories that would produce them. Under this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will address Livermore Lab's warhead development programs, with a special focus on the novel-design W87-1 and other new warheads. This priority also encompasses preventing expanded plutonium bomb core production at the Savannah River Site and the Los Alamos Lab. This priority focuses as well on planned activities at Livermore Lab, such as plutonium "materials testing" that will be conducted in support of expanded pit production. Our plutonium pit litigation to compel a Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act is part of this priority. This priority will also include work to prevent a resumption of nuclear explosive testing in Nevada. Through this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will influence national nuclear policy and the federal budget.

3. INVESTIGATE LIVERMORE LAB FACILITIES AND PUBLICIZE FINDINGS

This is about "watchdog" activities to investigate key nuclear facilities at Livermore Lab. With this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will boost its focus on Lab activities by using right-to-know laws, employee interviews and other means. This priority also involves seeking new information on Lab activities with our more than 7 outstanding FOIA requests awaiting

response. This priority also encompasses a TVC analysis of the latest batch of Unusual Occurrence Reports at Livermore Lab. It also includes monitoring Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board site visit reports, U.S. Government Accountability Office analyses, and conducting other “deep dives” into government documents.

4. SAFEGUARD WORKER HEALTH & SAFETY

This is about justice for Livermore Lab, and Sandia, Livermore, workers exposed to toxic and radioactive materials. Through this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will assist nuclear workers and families of deceased workers obtain compensation under the Energy Employees Occupational Illness Compensation Program Act (EEOICPA). With this priority we will also act to preserve ongoing worker health and safety measures, including by maintaining our relationship with the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board and other institutions in order to advocate for stringent safety standards and improvements to their implementation at the local level at Livermore Lab.

5. PROMOTE GLOBAL NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT

This is about contributing to the global abolition of nuclear weapons. Under this priority, Tri-Valley CAREs will focus on the UN Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons, including the planned 2023 meeting of States Parties to the TPNW in NY. It also includes our participation in other relevant UN meetings, including on the Non-Proliferation Treaty. This priority also involves other pathways to promote nuclear disarmament, including our activities as a main organizer of the annual Hiroshima - Nagasaki commemoration focused on Livermore Lab.

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