



**Invites You to Our Spring Luncheon  
Illinois Beach State Park Resort**

**May 15, 2010 at Noon      Advance Reservations Required**

**You Can't "Nuke" Global Warming: Why the "Nuclear Renaissance" is a Fraud  
Zion Nuclear Plant's Potential Safety Problems Affect the Region  
Our Speaker is Dave Kraft, Director of NEIS, Nuclear Energy Information Service  
Nuclear Power Watchdog for Illinois since 1981**

There is a proposed decommissioning of the Zion Nuclear Power Plant which is in the middle of Illinois Beach State Park. Currently, the nuclear power plant divides the park, blocking contiguous bicycle and walking trails. The plant's property contains spent fuel rods in a wet pool building next to Lake Michigan, the fresh water source for millions of people in four states. If the present license of Exelon Corporation is transferred to Zion Solutions LLC (proposed licensee) and the power plant is raised, the plan is to keep the spent fuel in dry casks on the present Exelon property which would become a federally approved and licensed storage site. Whether or not you ever visit the park, this issue affects all of us! We must be informed citizens about this potentially hazardous, complex, public issue



**Why are policy makers ranging from President Obama to the Illinois Legislature attempting to revive nuclear power as an ill-conceived solution to our energy crisis? Why are they willing to transfer as much financial risk as they can get away with to U.S. taxpayers and our utility bills? Do special interests come to mind? The sudden effort to resurrect nuclear energy from the dead is a huge step backwards in attempting to meet energy needs in a sustainable and environmentally responsible manner. It is an artificial "solution" to our global climate crisis problems, which will retard the ability of renewable energy research and commerce to gain a larger market share. It is the (energy) bridge to nowhere -- costly and useless, causing more potential harm than bringing benefits to society.**

The shuttered nuclear facility at Illinois Beach State Park, the first State Dedicated Nature Preserve in the United States, should be razed and the land should be given back to the park where the land can be reestablished as a Dedicated Nature Preserve and Federal, Critical Habitat. Governor Quinn and the legislature should sponsor a bill to accomplish this goal. Having nuclear waste sitting in questionable and possibly unproven, long-term, dry casks on our nation's federal, navigable waters is dangerous and ill-advised.

Energy Solutions, Inc. / Zion Solutions LLC and Exelon Corporation have still not answered the numerous citizens' questions that were asked of them in the April 2008 Dunesland decommissioning forum. Also, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission has failed in its own public meetings to answer many of the still outstanding questions about this proposed Decommissioning of the Zion Nuclear facility, as they had promised to do. There appears to be a corrupted process in communicating with the community and responding to their concerns. The above-mentioned entities have resisted answering direct questions.

Mr. Kraft will discuss those questions; the Obama Administration's sudden turn toward nuclear power; and the NEIS position that the attempts by some in the Illinois Legislature to overturn an existing moratorium on the construction of new nuclear plants in Illinois are misguided. Learn why nuclear power cannot and will not make a positive contribution in the struggle to minimize climate disruption while the United States still has no centralized storage facility for spent nuclear material now that Yucca Mountain storage has been canceled. Do citizens want to see the lakefront used as a storage area for nuclear material? What can you do to help?

## **RSVP by May 12**

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**\$15 includes beautiful view of the lakefront at the Illinois Beach State Park Resort, great speakers, superb conversation, entrée, beverage, dessert, tax, tip a bargain today!**

***You may pay at the door, but we must have your reservation. If there are reservation changes that day, please contact Paul Kakuris, Dunesland's president, at 312 332-3377.***

**Please give your menu choice when you make a reservation for our May 22 noon luncheon:**

- 1. Chicken Caesar Salad**
- 2. Chicken Salad/Fruit**
- 3. Beach Burger/Fries**
- 4. Cheeseburger/Fries**
- 5. Turkey Club/Fries**

**Directions to the park are on our web site at: [http://illinoisdunesland.org/Contact\\_Us.html](http://illinoisdunesland.org/Contact_Us.html)**

**For further information about our organization and the park: <http://illinoisdunesland.org/>**

**To make a contribution or join Dunesland: <http://illinoisdunesland.org/Gifting.html>**

**Do you have additional questions or last minute reservation issues?**

**Please contact Dunesland's President Paul Kakuris at 312 332-3377.**

**Volunteers Are Always Needed! Please Share This Information With Your Friends!**