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## Diablo is a safe segue to a renewable energy future

As a physicist I have largely been against nuclear or ambivalent. More recently, I have been instructing and studying energy, society, and the environment. The literature makes clear that nuclear energy has the best safety record of any technology. Even without climate change, California's natural gas combined cycles (which will replace Diablo if Diablo is decommissioned) claim many lives annually by negatively impacting the air quality. Certainly, as we make the transition to a carbon-neutral economy, keeping the nuclear plant in operation will reduce emissions, reducing both climate change as well as respiratory deaths. Please vote to keep Diablo power plant in operation.

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Thanks Pete