

Nuclear Free California Process

NFC is made up of autonomous groups with their own operating procedures and bylaws, who agree with the Statement and Principles of Unity and non-violence agreements, and can attend one NFC statewide meeting per year, or regularly participates in a recognized working group of NFC.

Through networking, exchanging information, mobilizations, events, direct actions and other non-violent means, we will work together to build public opposition to nuclear power.

NFC supports civil disobedience by local members who adhere to principles of non-violence as set forth.

To protect participants' non-profit status, NFC will not engage in any initiative or candidate political campaigns. We may call on legislators (i.e. lobby) to pass appropriate legislation to address our concerns. This does not preclude individual member groups from participating in electoral work.

General Meetings (GM) will be held quarterly for the purpose of discussing local efforts and building support, coordinating projects, skills sharing, educating and building community. GM decision making will be by Consensus Process as modified through experience.

Between GMs, project coordination will happen through conference calling and Internet resources being developed by NFC.

Working groups will be formed and much of the ongoing work of the coalition will be through the working groups.

Proposals for the general meetings should come through and be developed by a working group or member group. Individuals with ideas should run them through the working group or member group for development.

Working Groups set up by the GM doing specific projects will be empowered to speak on behalf of NFC if needed as outlined by the GM.

Statewide NFC endorsements for actions and campaigns by local groups can be ratified at GM or via conference calls noticed two weeks in advance as long as a quorum of 2/3 of member groups agree by total consensus.

No press releases will be issued by NFC network. If a quorum of 2/3 of member groups agrees on the body of a press release, each group could place the NFC logo on their release, noting in the release their group's membership in the statewide network who holds the value of shutting down nuclear power and weapons reactors and agreement on principles of unity. Groups who were not part of the quorum decision will still be free to issue the press release as part of NFC.

Non-violence Agreements

During direct actions, we will:

Be open and respectful to everyone we meet;

Not use verbal or physical violence, including property destruction;

Not bring drugs or alcohol;

Not bring weapons;

Not run;