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Mr. Buxton, I'd like to say in the strongest possible terms how disappointed the Panel is with your presentation this morning. This process, you've told us repeatedly this process has been underway since 2002. That's five years. From the time of the first scoping session to the present is two and a half years.

And you have seen fit to bring to us a moving target for analysis. You've changed the diagrams, changed the model which you're using, and you do that at the very last minute. I think it's totally inappropriate.

It would seem to me that the people here, sitting here, the community, as well as the Panel, has the right to expect a reasonably well-developed plan which they can judge and gauge in terms of the future.

To change it at the last minute, and then to suggest that it's going to continue to change, I think is not reassuring at all.

And I think, and I have to agree with some of the comments that I've heard, is that it seems totally inappropriate to present it to us as a moving target, ask us to evaluate it, and in the same words to tell us that it's going to change again, and again, and again.

You've had two and a half years to look at this process. It would seem to me, as a Panel member I would've thought that we would be looking at something that