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SAN ANTONIO -- A West Texas company is one step closer to storing the nations spent nuclear fuel in Texas, and it could affect San Antonio.

Waste Control Specialists already disposes of low level radioactive material in Andrews County. Thursday they applied for the license to store high level radioactive waste.

If the application is approved, they would get the green light to transport 40,000 metric tons of the highly hazardous waste, possibly directly through San Antonio.

"One of the big threats that we're gonna be facing as Texans in this next legislature is whether we accept high level radioactive waste for interim storage and put it some place out in the West Texas desert," said Tom Smith, Director of Public Citizen.

Proponents of the plan are already working to get both state and federal legislation passed.