

# West Coast of North America to be Slammed with 80% As Much Fukushima Radiation As Japan by 2016

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A professor from Japan's Fukushima University Institute of Environmental Radioactivity (Michio Aoyama) told Kyodo in April that the West Coast of North America will be hit with around [800 terabecquerels of Cesium-137 by 2016](#).

EneNews notes that this is [80%](#) of the cesium-137 deposited in Japan by Fukushima, [according to](#) the company which runs Fukushima, Tepco:

Atmospheric Behavior, Deposition, and Budget of Radioactive Materials from the Fukushima Dai-Ichi Nuclear Power Plant

Toshimasa Ohara, National Institute for Environmental Studies, Tsukuba, Japan; and Y. Morino

**Cs-137 budget in model domain (PBq)**

Emission estimate	Emission	Deposition over land	Deposition over ocean	Outflow
Terada et al.	8.8	<b>2.2</b> (25%)	1.8 (20%)	4.8 (55%)
Stohl et al.	36.6	5.0 (14%)	3.5 (10%)	28.1 (77%)
<b>TEPCO</b>	10.0	<b>1.0</b> (10%)	1.6 (16%)	7.5 (75%)
<i>Airborne monitoring</i>		<b>2.7</b>	—	—

Note: The value in parenthesis denotes the ratio to the total emissions.

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(a petabequerel or "PBq" equals [1,000 terabecquerels](#).)

This is not news for those who have been paying attention. For example, we [noted](#) 2 days after the 2011 Japanese earthquake and tsunami that the West Coast of North America could be slammed with radiation from Fukushima.

We pointed out the next year that a previously-secret 1955 U.S. government report

concluded that the ocean may not adequately dilute radiation from nuclear accidents, and there could be [“pockets” and “streams” of highly-concentrated radiation](#).

The same year, we noted that [15 out of 15](#) bluefin tuna tested in California waters were contaminated with Fukushima radiation.

In 2013, we warned that the West Coast of North America would be [hit hard](#) by Fukushima radiation.

And we’ve noted for years that there is [no real testing](#) of Fukushima radiation by any government agency.

Indeed, scientists say that the amount of the West Coast of North America could end up [exceeding that off the Japanese coast](#).

What’s the worst case scenario? That the [mass die-off](#) of [sealife](#) off the West Coast of North America – which may have started [only a couple of months after](#) the Fukushima melt-down – is being caused by radiation from Fukushima.

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