

Re: Are we ruining the solar system?

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Kaido Kert <kaido_kert@hotmail.com> wrote:

> *Christopher James Huff* <cjameshuff@earthlink.net> wrote in message
news:<cjameshuff-614795.21374715062004@news04.east.earthlink.net>...

>> *In article* <40CF8E1D.526A26D9@frontiernet.net>,

>> *Joann Evans* <bondage@frontiernet.net> wrote:

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>>> *If we wanted to dispose of high-level nuclear waste in the Sun (and*

>>> *before anyone asks, that won't affect the Sun, either), it would be*

>>> *energetically easier to launch it toward Jupiter to get this effect,*

>>> *rather than try to send it directly to the Sun from Earth.*

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>> *And in that case, why not just dump it into Jupiter?*

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>> *Really, the stuff may be useful someday.*

> *You can always make more.*

> *Its more likely that we might wanna use uncontaminated Jupiter later,*

> *for mining volatiles or who knows what.*

I'm not sure there are enough fissionables with in even theoretical reach of humanity that the resulting waste could somehow contaminate Jupiter.

Unless say mercury turns out to be very rich in thorium / uranium or something.

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> *-kert*

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Sander

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