

## **Election 2015: candidate survey on environment and energy**

Georgia Strait Alliance is a registered charity with over 10,000 supporters that works to protect and restore the marine environment and promote the sustainability of the Georgia Strait and surrounding communities. We are inviting all candidates participating in the 2015 federal election in selected ridings in the Georgia Strait region to complete the following brief survey on issues of importance to our supporters.

We will share the results with our supporters via email prior to general voting day, as well as posting them on our website and social media channels.

Please complete the survey by **September 18, 2015**. If you have any questions, please contact [alexandra@georgiastrait.org](mailto:alexandra@georgiastrait.org).

### **A. Information about you**

Full name:

Email address:

Riding:

Party:

### **B. Survey questions**

1) In light of the recent Marathassa oil spill in English Bay, what do you see as the top three priorities for improving marine oil spill preparedness and response on BC's west coast?

2) What specific actions can the federal government take to ensure that local communities are meaningfully involved in oil spill planning and response?

For example, would you support [and why or why not]:

a) Federal funding for local governments to ensure that they are adequately prepared to play their part in a coordinated spill response, and manage the impacts of an oil spill on their community?

b) The establishment of a Citizens Advisory Council to facilitate citizen input into and oversight of Canada's marine oil spill preparedness and response regime?

3) Do you support or oppose Kinder Morgan's proposed TransMountain pipeline expansion project?

4) What are your views on the National Energy Board's pipeline review process, including its current TransMountain review?

5) What are the three most important steps the federal government should take to tackle climate change?

6) Would you support a cumulative effects assessment to provide information on the combined impacts of all oil, coal and LNG projects currently proposed for the Georgia Strait region?

7) How should the federal government address the chronic problem of derelict vessels spilling fuel and releasing other contaminants into the marine environment?

8) Do you have any additional comments or activities you would like to share with our supporters?

Thank you very much for taking the time to complete this survey! Please return it by email to [alexandra@georgiastrait.org](mailto:alexandra@georgiastrait.org).

We welcome any questions or comments about this survey or our work. Please contact:

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