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1) What is your position on Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain pipeline project?

This project represents significant risk to the Province of British Columbia, and especially to the Port of Vancouver and regional marine environment. Additionally, it is not consistent with the need to reduce greenhouse gasses and protect future generations from the devastation of global warming and climate change.

a) If you oppose the project, what specific steps would you take if elected to ensure the project does not proceed?

1. Cast my vote against any plans to complete the project
2. Advocate publicly and in Parliament against the project

b) If you support the project, what specific steps would you take if elected to ensure BC's communities, environment and economy are protected?

I do not support the project.

2) In 2016 the *Environmental Management Act* was amended to develop [a new framework for land-based spill preparedness and response in BC](#), which will be implemented through future regulations. What is your view of the proposed framework? What, if any, changes would you make to the framework if you were to form government, and what would be your first priorities?

1. Require potential polluters to post a sufficient bond in trust towards potential clean up costs and penalties.
2. Increase specific language for 'heavy bitumen crude oil' regarding improved research and development around spill response and remediation.

b) How would you propose to work with the federal government to strengthen marine spill planning and response, and to ensure that the provincial and federal regimes are aligned?

1. Require potential polluters to pay for government directed research and development related to ocean, lake, river and stream spill remediation related to 'heavy bitumen crude oil.' This substance does not behave the same in aqueous environment as lighter crude which floats, and generally such spills have confounded adequate remediation practices.

2. Lobby the federal environment minister, and provincial ministries to agree on coordinated policies and procedures.

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

1. Public awareness of the issues, and how to respond on the issues.

2. Commission Universities to investigate the efficacy of public outreach and feedback.

d) For example, would you support provincial recognition of and funding for a Regional Community Advisory Council ([a world-leading tool pioneered in Alaska, see p. 71](#)) as a formal mechanism for local governments, First Nations and coastal community stakeholders to participate in oil spill prevention, preparedness, planning and recovery?

Yes.

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

We, Canadians and the world, need to put increasing positive focus on clean, sustainable energy resources as a viable alternative to legacy dirty, unsustainable resources. Increasingly other countries are making great strides in solar and wind energy, technologies, jobs, etc. that demonstrate the superior benefits of sustainable strategies.