

**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Elphinstone emails - preliminary response from MLA Simons office  
**Date:** Monday, October 2, 2017 11:03:42

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Can you give me a quick call about this Eveline?  
Thanks.

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**From:** Scambler, Teresa  
**Sent:** Monday, October 02, 2017 7:24 AM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan ; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Cc:** Connor, Tamara  
**Subject:** RE: Elphinstone emails - preliminary response from MLA Simons office

Morning everyone,  
This one seems to be a MLA to Minister meeting I will leave it all in your capable hands, no need to include the Whip's office on further emails.  
Thanks  
Teresa

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Hi Eveline  
I was Nic Simon's acting LA for a month and I sent two meeting requests to the Minister's and one was with this person.  
I just sent a note to the Env.AC/AA to see if they have an update.  
Regards,

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**From:** Elphinstone Logging Focus [<mailto:loggingfocus@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** September 28, 2017 11:39 AM  
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Sent: Tuesday, June 27, 2017 9:59 AM

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**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Elphinstone email response  
**Date:** Friday, October 13, 2017 12:33:46

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I will do that and let you know.. ;)

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**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2017 12:17 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan

**Subject:** RE: Elphinstone email response

I believe so, can you please check in with someone who has done email campaigns whether it's okay to use the Minister's response directly in a Leg response?

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2017 12:11 PM

**To:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

**Subject:** RE: Elphinstone email response

Thank you for sending this – can I send it for other CAs to use in response if their offices get correspondence on this issue?

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Hi Tamara and Susan,

See below the email that Minister Heyman's office sent out to the Elphinstone email campaigners. We only responded to the writers who sent it to our gov email.

Thanks,

Eveline

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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

Thank you for your recent email expressing your support for the expansion of Mt. Elphinstone Park.

First, I would like to express my appreciation and thanks for the time and effort you have dedicated researching the ecological benefits to expanding Mt Elphinstone Park. I have begun discussions on this unique and important area and have met with MLA Nicholas Simons and will be meeting with Minister Donaldson of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development to explore possible options.

As our new government proceeds to chart a path forward with habitat and wildlife protection being a key element of our vision, I assure you I am committed to working with my colleagues to create a plan for the area. I understand the Coast has been waiting 20 years for this small park to be expanded to ensure its long-term viability.

Thank you again for your interest and taking the time to write and share your thoughts with me. I appreciate your patience and I will be in touch in the very near future.

Sincerely,

George Heyman

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**Sent:** Monday, October 2, 2017 8:22 AM

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Oh looks like you guys already started the conversation, I'll leave it up to you folks.

Cheers,

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX  
**To:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX  
**Subject:** CONFIRMED: Kinder Morgan meeting - October 24  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 13:31:18

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Hi Caelie – thanks for your quick response. The meeting is confirmed for your office in Room 112 on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm; I will let attendees know. Sarah put together some of the issues to be discussed below. If Derek, Cate and Perisa have anything to add, I'll get them to email you directly. Attending will be Sarah Marriot and the following Burnaby CAs:  
Cate Jones  
Perisa Chan  
Derek Sahota  
Regards,

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**From:** Marriott, Sarah  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 11:16 AM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Kinder Morgan meeting - October 24  
Works for me. s.13  
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**From:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 10:37 AM  
**To:** Sahota, Derek <[Derek.Sahota@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Derek.Sahota@leg.bc.ca)>; Marriott, Sarah <[Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca)>; Jones, Cate <[Cate.Jones@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Cate.Jones@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Kinder Morgan meeting - October 24  
Hi you three – Caelie Frampton, MA for Minster Heyman, would be pleased to sit down with you in Room 112 on Tuesday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm to talk about this issue and how it pertains to Burnaby. The CA Seminar wraps up at 4:30pm that day, and the social starts at 6:30pm, so I'm hoping this time works for you. Caelie said questions in advance would be helpful so please send me a few that you want answered.

Please confirm .. ;)

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**From:** Marriott, Sarah

**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 3:04 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** FW: Kinder Morgan

Hi Susan,

After chatting with Derek and Cate, I do think that it would be useful for them to get a chance to meet with Caelie while they're in Victoria as Derek suggests below (and Cate echoed) – not entirely sure that everyone is on the same page.

S.

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**From:** Chen.MLA, Katrina

**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 1:43 PM

**To:** Marriott, Sarah <[Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Re: What tools available?

Hi Sarah,

I heard back from Caelie in George's office on Friday but she thought we were primarily needing information on the Squamish case and the decision made around that. Susan also forwarded information primarily around framing the Squamish case decision to all CAs. However, on the public safety aspect of the tank farm we have not yet heard back and I think there's an opportunity to push on an aspect that hasn't got enough attention and is very relevant to constituents in Burnaby-Lougheed and Burnaby-North.

BROKE wants to have both Janet and Katrina attend one of their meetings in the coming months (if scheduling permits) and to have a large town-hall with representatives from all levels of government in the new year.

My suggestion on how to proceed is that we try to get a few of us together (maybe someone from George's office, Janet & Katrina's office, you and ?) for a quick discussion when we're all in Victoria for the CA conference Sunday Oct 22 to mid-day on Thurs Oct 26. I would see the main purpose of this discussion to come up with the skeleton of a plan that allows our local MLAs to direct the upcoming public anger over the start of KM construction away from them and the provincial government and towards the flawed process, Federal government, etc. without jeopardizing the court cases. What do you think?

Derek

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**From:** Marriott, Sarah

**Sent:** Monday, October 16, 2017 9:40 AM

**To:** Chen.MLA, Katrina

**Subject:** RE: What tools available?

Good morning Derek,

Hope you had a good weekend. Have you heard anything back from Susan Vasilev/Heyman's office? If not, I'll follow up.

I know Susan was flying on other projects on Friday, so it might have ended up on the backburner.

Sarah

**From:** Chen.MLA, Katrina

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 11, 2017 1:37 PM

**To:** Marriott, Sarah <[Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Fw: What tools available?

Hi Sarah,

Here's an example from BROKE. We're also getting other messages from other individuals specifically targeting the public safety aspect of the current tank farm and it's expansion. This push is likely the first wave coordinated with a "die-in" being held at the Federal safety office on Oct 23rd.

If there's a way that makes sense for us to make this a public safety issue (i.e. because of a major disaster) that we could write to Minister Farnworth about, that would be good to know. Constituents here are agitated and looking for ways they can continue to be involved while the legal battles go on in the courtroom.

Thanks,

Derek

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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 4, 2017 4:29 PM

**To:** Heyman.MLA, George; Chen.MLA, Katrina; Routledge.MLA, Janet

**Subject:** What tools available?

Dear Hon. George Heyman, Hon. Katrina Chen, Hon. Janet Routledge,

Thank you Minister Heyman for your call on Monday about the B.C. Government's difficult position in the Squamish FN case.

<https://www.pressreader.com/canada/the-globe-and-mail-bc-edition/20171004/282286730472864>

I know that low risk options must be used before higher risk tools from the legal tool box can be used. However, not only is the BC NDP/Green struggle against the Kinder Morgan TMX stalled, it's going backwards.

Have you explored the significant risks to public safety posed by the plans to expand the Burnaby Terminal? In terms of public protest and media, some say, "If it bleeds, it leads." Well, a tank farm fire/explosion would go viral world wide. What can we, all of us, do to prevent what could be an enormous disaster? If low risk tools aren't working, what's left in the tool box?

s.22

. I will not let Burnaby Mountain become another industrial "sacrifice zone" like Rich Kinder's home town, Houston. I will not let my wife die from toxic smoke.

I'm getting cynical. Is it worth the effort to engage B.C. Min. of Public Safety, Hon. Mike Farnworth, or Canada Min. of Public Safety Ralph Goodale on the well documented dangers of the proposed Kinder Morgan Tank Farm expansion?

I would appreciate a response at your earliest convenience. Please see attached from Concerned Professional Engineers

I do appreciate your support.

All the best, s.22

<http://concernedengineers.org/about-kinder-morgans-proposal/burnaby-tank-farm/>

**From:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#); [Henry, Molly FIN:EX](#); [Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: US thermal coal - campaign  
**Date:** Thursday, October 19, 2017 17:07:00

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Hi everyone,

I wanted to give an update on the thermal coal emails and response.

I spoke with Minister Heyman, and Issues Management and I'm putting together the letter now. Unfortunately it has to still go through ENV staff and won't be ready until Friday afternoon at the latest.

There's no much, regulatory levys or otherwise, that the provincial government can do – our response will reflect this.

Feel free to call me to discuss.

Eveline Xia

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**From:** Henry, Molly FIN:EX [<mailto:Molly.Henry@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 6:12 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: US thermal coal - campaign

Hi Susan – Issues Management has taken this issue on and is coordinating with ENV.

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 12:19 PM

**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX

**Cc:** Henry, Molly FIN:EX

**Subject:** RE: US thermal coal - campaign

Thank you – much appreciated; I've heard from four more CAs this week that they are receiving correspondence.

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**From:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX [<mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 17, 2017 11:49 AM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Henry, Molly FIN:EX <[Molly.Henry@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Molly.Henry@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** RE: US thermal coal - campaign

Hi Susan,

I wanted to let you know we got information from staff on this policy being proposed by Dogwood. Molly Henry in our office is taking on the file from here. She'll connect with you as well as MEM and ENV to try to develop some bullets on this complex issue.

Thanks,

**Robyn Spilker**

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Thursday, October 5, 2017 1:56 PM

**To:** Spilker, Robyn PREM:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

**Subject:** US thermal coal - campaign

Two writing campaigns are underway and the CAs are getting lots of correspondence from both.

The Dogwood campaign appears to be targeting Environment - asking for regulatory changes to the carbon tax "under the Climate Leadership Plan." But I don't know how a regulatory change could be made "under" the CLP, so I assume perhaps it falls under Finance?

<https://dogwoodbc.ca/equalizing-carbon-pricing-coal-bc/>

I am looking for messaging to share with the CAs – can you help ?

**From:** s.22 [<mailto:engage@newmode.net>]

**Sent:** Thursday, September 28, 2017 12:56 PM

**To:** Kang, MLA, Anne <[Anne.Kang.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Anne.Kang.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Please stop exporting U.S. thermal coal through our communities

American ports have said no to every single coal proposal because of health, environmental, and financial risks. Now that the Longview coal terminal in Washington is cancelled, it's up to B.C. to put the brakes on thermal coal trains for good.

Please stop these unwanted thermal coal trains from polluting B.C. communities.

s.22

**From:** Arie Ross [<mailto:arie@dogwoodbc.ca>]

**Sent:** Tuesday, October 3, 2017 1:00 PM

**To:** Kang, MLA, Anne <[Anne.Kang.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Anne.Kang.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Thermal coal action glitch

Dear Anne,

This is Arie from Dogwood. I just wanted to let you know about a system glitch that affected an action our supporters took in your riding this past week.

We were using a new online tool which unfortunately did not allow you to respond directly to your constituents' e-mails concerning U.S. thermal coal trains in B.C. communities. We have resent those e-mails to you, so you should be able to respond to your constituents' concerns if you wish to. I wanted to assure you that we did not intend to bombard you with emails you could not respond to.

While I have you, I did want to reinforce that this issue is of great importance to people in your riding. The recent decision to deny a key permit for the proposed Longview coal terminal in Washington has sparked a question for British Columbians: Why are we handling a toxic product that American ports won't? Local leaders in the Pacific Northwest are standing up for the health and safety of

their communities against risky coal export projects. We hope that you, as a leader in British Columbia, will do the same.

If you have questions regarding thermal coal exports in B.C., you can contact me any time and I'd be happy to chat with you. You can reach me at 604-230-4695, or via email: [arie@dogwoodbc.ca](mailto:arie@dogwoodbc.ca).

I apologize for any confusion this glitch caused.

Very sincerely,

Arie

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From: [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
To: [McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX](#); [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
Cc: [Brunner, Angelika LASS:EX](#)  
Subject: RE: commercial huckleberry harvest  
Date: Friday, October 20, 2017 11:45:08

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Thanks for this, Kenn.

I am copying Katrine Conroy's CA who asked for this information; if she has more questions she can respond directly to you.

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-----Original Message-----

From: McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX [<mailto:Kenn.McLaren@gov.bc.ca>]  
Sent: Friday, October 20, 2017 9:35 AM  
To: Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX <[Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca)>  
Subject: RE: commercial huckleberry harvest

Hi Sue, Eveline;

Here is a Q and A from FLNRO-RD that outlines the summer of commercial huckleberry over harvesting. We have an IN as well but this may suffice for your responses.

Here's the Q&A from recent media query.

How many complaints the gov or C.O.'s received on this issue?

- Two formal complaints were made to Natural Resource Officers. One was made to the Conservation Officer Service.

Was there an investigation? Were warnings/tickets issued, and if so what are the nature of these?

- Yes, Natural Resource Officers went and inspected the campground, which was located on private land, and observed no contraventions of the Land Act or the Forest and Range Practices Act; however, a responding Conservation Officer issued a Dangerous Wildlife Protection Order under the Wildlife Act.

Is there any estimation of the amount of huckleberry crop that staff observed being processed/transported?

- Staff only have anecdotal evidence of the amount of huckleberry crop harvested. This question is best directed to the company.

How many pickers were in the camp in question?

- This information is also anecdotal as some pickers were local and others were not. This question is best directed to the company.

What were conditions like at the camp?

- An attending Conservation Officer advised that there was a young grizzly bear in the area and that the culled berries could attract the bear into the campground. The officer issued a Dangerous Wildlife Protection Order, directing that the screens be cleaned every day and culled berries be removed from the campground, and advised failure to comply could result in charges. The order took effect Aug. 3 and expires at first frost.

I would like a statement from someone that clearly states the regulations or lack thereof regarding huckleberry or other non-timber-forest-product harvest, sale, transport, especially across the US border.

- While there are no current regulations specifically restricting commercial harvesting of huckleberries, we ask that commercial harvesters remain aware of the impact that overharvesting could have on local wildlife populations.

- Those involved in commercial harvesting should also understand how their business activities on provincial lands may result in contraventions of environmental, wildlife, land and forestry legislation to avoid being faced with fines or legal action.

- Ministry staff are currently assessing options for long-term solutions to better manage commercial harvesting of forest botanicals on Crown land, which may include regulation and/or amendments to legislation.

Let me know if you need more,  
Kenn



-----Original Message-----

From: Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]  
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 3:35 PM  
To: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX; McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX  
Subject: commercial huckleberry harvest

Do you know if people that wrote to your respective minsters on this issue have received a response?  
If so, can you please send me a copy to share with the local CAs in that area?  
Thanks, Susan

-----Original Message-----

From: Conroy.MLA, Katrine  
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 2:49 PM  
To: Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>  
Subject: CR for commercial huckleberry harvest

We have received almost 2000 of these directly to Katrine Conroy's inbox (not merely CC'd) because our constituency is one of those affected. They came in mostly in September, but they are still trickling in. Do you know if MoE and/or FLNRO have responded? As such a major campaign, I would not want to leave our constituents without an answer of some kind. Please advise.

-----Original Message-----

From: [info@wildsight.ca](mailto:info@wildsight.ca) [<mailto:info@wildsight.ca>] On Behalf Of s.22  
Sent: Thursday, October 19, 2017 10:52 AM  
To: Conroy.MLA, Katrine <[Katrine.Conroy.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Katrine.Conroy.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>  
Subject: Stop the commercial huckleberry harvest!

Dear Ministers Donaldson and Heyman,

CC: MLAs Andrew Weaver, Michelle Mungall, Katrine Conroy, Tom Shypitka, Doug Clovechok

I live just outside of Kimberley and have for 25 years.

Commercial huckleberry harvesting in the Kootenays is happening on a scale never seen before. Commercial pickers were sending a thousand pounds per day over the US border this summer.

Grizzly bears, especially the threatened Yahk population, need berries to fatten up for the winter—and commercial harvesting takes the food they need right out of their habitat.

Huckleberry picking for personal use is a regular part of summer for families all through the Kootenays. This commercial harvest also destroys that tradition. Commercial activity on crown land in this province is illegal unless the proper land use permits are obtained

Please implement a ban on the commercial harvest of huckleberries. Thank you for reading this letter and considering my points.

Sincerely,

s.22

Kimberley, BC s.22  
Canada

**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: thermal coal response  
**Date:** Monday, October 23, 2017 12:17:05

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Thanks for taking the time to call today...;) I'll send this out after 1pm to CAs.  
Most are in Victoria now for the CA seminar this week.

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**From:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX [mailto:Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Monday, October 23, 2017 8:44 AM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan

**Subject:** thermal coal response

Hi Susan,

I'm going to give you a call about this. This messaging is **embargoed until 1pm** today (Oct 23)...

-Thank for your email regarding thermal coal transport in British Columbia. The ministry and our new government are strongly committed to fighting climate change.

-Our government has already committed to regular increases in British Columbia's carbon tax and to set a new legislated 2030 greenhouse gas reduction target, among many other actions.

-We have just announced a new leadership team, the Climate Solutions and Clean Growth Advisory Council in order to assist us in developing a comprehensive climate action strategy to ensure our province meets our carbon pollution reduction targets.

-Cross-boundary transportation and export of coal and other products falls under federal jurisdiction.

-Recently, Right Honourable Prime Minister Justin Trudeau indicated in a letter that the federal government is carefully and seriously considering a ban on US-based thermal coal exports from passage into British Columbia.

-We are keenly watching for further action on this issue from the federal government.

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#); [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Old Growth Campaign  
**Date:** Monday, October 30, 2017 13:50:34

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Hi there- big campaign on this issue – this morning I had another CO report upward of 700 emails. At the very bottom I have included the form letter that is being sent (and some folks are adding something personal at the end).

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**From:** Anderson, Dulcy  
**Sent:** Friday, October 27, 2017 9:18 AM  
**To:** Rousseau, Christine  
**Cc:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Old Growth Campaign

Almost 200 emails this am on this campaign. Not sure they're all constituents yet, but it's a large #.

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**From:** Rousseau, Christine  
**To:** NDP Constituency Assistants <[NDPConstituencyAssistants@leg.bc.ca](mailto:NDPConstituencyAssistants@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Old Growth Campaign

Has anyone else been getting many emails from about Protecting Old Growth?

To Premier Horgan and Ministers Donaldson, Heyman, Fraser and James,

I am writing to express my concern over the continued logging of BC's endangered old-growth forests and the continued large-scale export of raw logs to foreign mills.

Old-growth forests are vital to sustain unique endangered species, climate stability, tourism jobs, clean water, wild salmon, and the cultures of many First Nations. However, despite their environmental and economic benefits while standing, old-growth forests are endangered due to a century of unsustainable industrial logging.

On BC's southern coast, at least 75% of the original productive old-growth forests have already been logged, including well over 90% of the lowland ancient forests where the richest biodiversity and largest trees are found.

We need bold legislative and policy changes in British Columbia to protect endangered old-growth forests and ensure a sustainable, value-added, second-growth forest industry.

I am therefore calling on the BC Government to:

- Create a new Old-Growth Protection Act to protect BC's endangered old-growth forests based on science.
- Provide financial support for First Nations' sustainable economic development as an alternative to old-growth logging and formally recognize First Nations' land use plans, tribal parks, and protected areas.
- Place an interim halt on logging in old-growth "hotspots" (areas of high conservation value) to ensure the largest and best stands of remaining old-growth forests are kept intact.
- Take immediate action to protect old-growth by 1) implementing the long overdue Big Tree Protection Order; 2) turning "non-legal" Old-Growth Management Areas into legally-binding

reserves; 3) directing BC Timber Sales to discontinue issuance of old-growth cutblocks; and 4) creating a provincial land acquisition fund to purchase and protect endangered ecosystems on private lands.

- Sustain and enhance forestry jobs through regulations against raw log exports while providing financial incentives for the development of value-added, second-growth wood manufacturing facilities.

Thousands of concerned British Columbians from diverse segments of society; multiple chambers of commerce, including the BC Chamber of Commerce; the Union of BC Municipalities; the Public and Private Workers of Canada, representing thousands of forestry workers; and many others are all calling on the provincial government to protect old-growth forests. The time has come for the BC government to act.

I strongly believe we need to protect BC's old-growth forests and transition to a sustainable, second-growth forest industry. I urge you to enact these bold legislative and policy changes for the sake of our wildlife, water, the climate, communities, First Nations, and future generations.

Thank you for carefully considering my message.

Sincerely,

**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#); [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Old Growth Campaign  
**Date:** Tuesday, October 31, 2017 15:17:22

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More CAs are reporting this campaign, is there anything I can tell them?

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**To:** NDP Constituency Assistants <[NDPConstituencyAssistants@leg.bc.ca](mailto:NDPConstituencyAssistants@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Old Growth Campaign

Has anyone else been getting many emails from about Protecting Old Growth?

To Premier Horgan and Ministers Donaldson, Heyman, Fraser and James,

I am writing to express my concern over the continued logging of BC's endangered old-growth forests and the continued large-scale export of raw logs to foreign mills.

Old-growth forests are vital to sustain unique endangered species, climate stability, tourism jobs, clean water, wild salmon, and the cultures of many First Nations. However, despite their environmental and economic benefits while standing, old-growth forests are endangered due to a century of unsustainable industrial logging.

On BC's southern coast, at least 75% of the original productive old-growth forests have already been logged, including well over 90% of the lowland ancient forests where the richest biodiversity and largest trees are found.

We need bold legislative and policy changes in British Columbia to protect endangered old-growth forests and ensure a sustainable, value-added, second-growth forest industry.

I am therefore calling on the BC Government to:

- Create a new Old-Growth Protection Act to protect BC's endangered old-growth forests based on science.

- Provide financial support for First Nations' sustainable economic development as an alternative to old-growth logging and formally recognize First Nations' land use plans, tribal parks, and protected areas.
- Place an interim halt on logging in old-growth "hotspots" (areas of high conservation value) to ensure the largest and best stands of remaining old-growth forests are kept intact.
- Take immediate action to protect old-growth by 1) implementing the long overdue Big Tree Protection Order; 2) turning "non-legal" Old-Growth Management Areas into legally-binding reserves; 3) directing BC Timber Sales to discontinue issuance of old-growth cutblocks; and 4) creating a provincial land acquisition fund to purchase and protect endangered ecosystems on private lands.
- Sustain and enhance forestry jobs through regulations against raw log exports while providing financial incentives for the development of value-added, second-growth wood manufacturing facilities.

Thousands of concerned British Columbians from diverse segments of society; multiple chambers of commerce, including the BC Chamber of Commerce; the Union of BC Municipalities; the Public and Private Workers of Canada, representing thousands of forestry workers; and many others are all calling on the provincial government to protect old-growth forests. The time has come for the BC government to act.

I strongly believe we need to protect BC's old-growth forests and transition to a sustainable, second-growth forest industry. I urge you to enact these bold legislative and policy changes for the sake of our wildlife, water, the climate, communities, First Nations, and future generations.

Thank you for carefully considering my message.

Sincerely,

From: [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
To: [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#); [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
Subject: Kinder Morgan  
Date: Monday, November 6, 2017 10:59:30

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Hi there – I know this is a cross ministry issue so am not sure if I should be contacting you or the AG's office. This morning CAs from Vancouver and the island let me know Kinder Morgan is on people's radar big time. While correspondence reads 'Dear Premier Horgan' they are coming into MLAs' public emails and not showing as going to the Premier's e-mail (see example at the bottom). People are very energized on this issue.

The latest that I have is the gov't news release and this messaging (below).

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017ENV0050-001494>

Please use this messaging in responding to correspondence on this issue.

Two weeks ago, the BC Government filed in the B.C. Supreme Court, responding to a petition by the Squamish Nation challenging the province's decision to grant the Kinder Morgan pipeline an environmental certificate and alleging the province failed in its constitutional duty to consult with the First Nation.

Key messages:

- Our government remains committed to defending B.C.'s interests in the face of the construction of Trans Mountain's new pipeline and a dangerous seven-fold increase in tanker traffic on our coast.
- We will continue to use every tool to defend BC's interests.
- In the case of the BC Supreme Court, B.C. government lawyers will be arguing that the Crown lived up to its duty to consult, as it was defined at the time. This is based on independent legal opinions confirming that this is the best course of action for our provincial government at this time. (MLAs are strongly discouraged from saying more on the subject of the BC Supreme Court case)
- We are looking towards the Province's intervention in the Federal Court of Appeal, which starts next week.
- The Federal Court of Appeal has the authority to set aside the National Energy Board's approval of the new Trans Mountain pipeline.
- Fighting for intervenor status in the Federal Court of Appeal case gives the Government of BC the best opportunity to protect the health and safety of the BC coastline, BC's economy and our overall interests.
- We only recently won intervenor status and it's a really significant win for the Province to be at the table arguing the case, with Thomas Berger representing the BC Government

A large group of key Kinder Morgan stakeholders is being contacted currently to inform them about what the BC Government is doing related to the legal actions at the provincial and federal levels.

David Eby came up with his own response (that his CA posted on the website and brought to my attention: <http://davidbymla.ca/in-the-community/issue-kinder-morgan-an-open-letter-to-constituents-concerned-about-the-pipeline/>).

Can I share the AG's response with CAs to use as messaging, or should I tell them to keep using the bullet points above, or do you have more recent I can send them?

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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** Monday, November 6, 2017 8:08 AM

**To:** Routledge.MLA, Janet <[Janet.Routledge.mla@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Janet.Routledge.mla@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Kinder Morgan's wrongdoing must be investigated

Dear Premier Horgan,

Kinder Morgan has illegally started construction on their pipeline expansion project without permits, placing seven spawning deterrents in BC rivers. The purpose of these deterrents is to take away spawning habitat from chinook salmon, the primary food source of our iconic southern resident killer whales, and other fish species. Chinook are the key species to saving this population from extinction. Chinook stocks are at historic lows, and southern residents are literally starving to death.

The construction is entirely unauthorized: Kinder Morgan installed these spawning deterrents before having National Energy Board authorization or Water Sustainability Act permits. The technique used is unproven and the impact on chinook spawning is unclear. Kinder Morgan has proven themselves a bad actor, but has faced no consequences: to date, there have been no penalties assessed by the NEB.

We need your government to stand up for our interests and conduct a thorough, credible review of Kinder Morgan's illegal construction. This episode demonstrates it's time to press pause on this project, examine what happened here and how the rules must change so something like this cannot happen again.

You pledged to use every tool in the toolbox to defend our province's interests. Your government has the power to amend the pipeline's BC environmental assessment certificate and halt the issuing of permits until a review of this matter is completed. A thorough review should examine:

- What internal policies and procedures at Kinder Morgan led to the illegal construction
- What are the impacts of this experimental technique on fish spawning, and what led Kinder Morgan to use this unproven technique
- What internal changes are required to ensure that something like this doesn't happen again
- What flaws in the regulatory regime led to illegal construction
- What additional oversight should the province put in place to make sure that illegal construction doesn't happen again
- If Kinder Morgan has violated the conditions of their BC environmental assessment certificate, what penalties should be applied; and determine if other relevant statutes, such as the Water Sustainability Act, have been violated
- How the BC certificate should be amended to ensure the health and viability of Chinook salmon and other species impacted by the pipeline and its construction

Stand up for BC and investigate Kinder Morgan's illegal construction.



Thank you.

**From:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Climate Change Policy  
**Date:** Wednesday, November 22, 2017 17:08:00

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Hi Susan,  
I'll forward this for staff response as bullets.  
Cheers,  
Eveline

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [mailto:[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)]  
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**From:** Darcy.MLA, Judy  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 21, 2017 3:19 PM  
**To:** Marriott, Sarah <[Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Marriott@leg.bc.ca)>  
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Thank you for your time, I look forward to receiving your email.

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From: [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
To: [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
Subject: RE: Climate Change Policy  
Date: Wednesday, November 29, 2017 11:18:00

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- This is the first big step in getting B.C. moving ahead to meet its climate goals.
- The new advisory council includes members from First Nations, industry, environmental organizations, labour, academic researchers and local government.
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  - implement the recommendations of the 2015 Climate Leadership Team.
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Thanks so much.

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**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Kinder Morgan - key messages  
**Date:** Monday, December 11, 2017 16:53:58  
**Attachments:** [Kinder Morgan Key Messages.docx](#)

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan

**Sent:** Tuesday, November 21, 2017 3:24 PM

**To:** NDP Constituency Assistants

**Cc:** Marriott, Sarah

**Subject:** Kinder Morgan - key messages

From the Environment MO:

*Here's the updated document of key messages.*

*Please let the CA's know that we sent in a response to Coast Protectors, Dogwood and Georgia Strait Alliance today on the fish mats issue.*

*If people have additional questions related to the environmental assessment process I have some additional bullets on that.*

*In addition, George Smith from Minister Eby's office and I wanted to make ourselves available for a call with CA's on KM if it's helpful.*

*Please let people know they can get in touch if they have additional questions*

*Thanks,*

*Caelie*

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## **Kinder Morgan Key Messages for Constituency Offices**

**November 2017**

### **General Messages**

- Our government remains committed to defending BC's interests in the face of the construction of Trans Mountain's new pipeline and a dangerous seven-fold increase in tanker traffic on our coast.
- We made a commitment to use every tool available to defend BC's interests and we are approaching the situation thoughtfully and deliberately.
- We will continue to defend BC's coast and the economic and environmental interests that are so important to British Columbians.
- As the project crosses provincial boundaries, TMX is a federally regulated project and the National Energy Board (NEB) has the responsibility for enforcing the environmental conditions attached to the federal approval certificate, and to oversee the construction and operation of the pipeline.

### **Court Cases**

#### **NEB hearings on Burnaby:**

In early November, Kinder Morgan wrote to the National Energy Board to ask to be exempted from municipal bylaws in Burnaby that they are arguing restrict their ability to proceed with the pipeline construction.

The Province is responding to that application, opposing the proposal by Kinder Morgan that they be exempted from full and appropriate process around any constitutional arguments they are making, and ensuring that all governments, including ours, have adequate time to respond to the arguments being made by the pipeline company about the conditions imposed on them.

B.C. government to participate in National Energy Board hearing (November 2) <https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017ENV0061-001849>

Issue: Kinder Morgan-an open letter to constituents concerned about the pipeline (November 2017) <http://davidbymla.ca/in-the-community/issue-kinder-morgan-an-open-letter-to-constituents-concerned-about-the-pipeline/>

#### **Federal:**

- The British Columbia government has secured Thomas Berger, as external counsel to government in the legal action related to Trans Mountain Expansion Pipeline on federal court of appeals cases.
- The Province intervened in the Federal Court of Appeal, which has the authority to set aside the National Energy Board's approval of the new Trans Mountain pipeline.



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- In the case that Thomas Berger made on our behalf in the Federal Court of Appeal, in addition to challenging the decision process, the Province strongly disagreed with the claim that the project should be approved "in the national interest", as we strongly believe that defending BC's magnificent coastal and marine ecosystem is in Canada's national interest, as well as our province's interest.

Government takes action to protect B.C. over Kinder Morgan pipeline and tanker traffic expansion (August 10)

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017ENV0046-001417>

B.C. government granted intervener status (August 29)

<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017ENV0061-001849>

Lawyer explains B.C.'s strategy to quash Kinder Morgan pipeline approval (October

1) <https://www.nationalobserver.com/2017/10/01/news/lawyer-explains-bcs-strategy-quash-kinder-morgan-pipeline-approval>

#### **Squamish:**

- We are absolutely committed to working with First Nations on all issues, including the way we redefine standards of consultation in the future.
- In the case of the BC Supreme Court, BC government lawyers will be arguing that the Crown lived up to its duty to consult, as it was defined at the time the decision was made by the previous government.
- This is based on independent legal opinions confirming that this is the best course of action for our provincial government at this time. (MLAs are strongly discouraged from saying more on the subject of the BC Supreme Court case)
- While we believe higher standards consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People should form the basis for First National consultations in the future, our action is based on independent legal opinions confirming that this is the required course of action for our government at this time.
- Lawyer explains B.C.'s strategy to quash Kinder Morgan pipeline approval (October 1) <https://www.nationalobserver.com/2017/10/01/news/lawyer-explains-bcs-strategy-quash-kinder-morgan-pipeline-approval>

#### **Fish mats**

- On October 12, 2017 the NEB determined that the works undertaken by TMX were construction activity, and were non-compliant with their certificate and with a number of sections of the *National Energy Board Act*. The Province is aware of this contravention and is taking appropriate action.

- The company was directed to cease further installation of spawning deterrents. The NEB also noted that the removal of the installed spawning deterrents while fish remain actively spawning has the potential to result in greater environmental harm and Trans Mountain should monitor, maintain and remove the previously installed spawning deterrents according to the specific measures and timing. The NEB also stated it would conduct further compliance actions as necessary.
- I share your concerns regarding this issue and have spoken out in defence of BC's interests. Our government has asked the federal government what further actions are being contemplated by federal agencies on this matter, and asked for a commitment to work with provincial agencies to coordinate compliance and enforcement activities for this project.
- The provincial Environmental Assessment Certificate (EAC) for the Trans Mountain Expansion Project was issued on January 11, 2017, with 37 legally-binding conditions. On October 12, 2017, the Environmental Assessment Office (EAO) sent a letter to Kinder Morgan Canada Inc., noting that construction activities were not to commence until management plans required by EAC Condition Reports were completed. The EAO Compliance and Enforcement team is now conducting an inspection of the locations where spawning deterrents maps were placed, and I am confident that the EAO will take appropriate action in the event of non-compliance with any of the conditions for this project or any relevant BC statutes. They will also forward evidence forwarded to federal agencies for review. The EAO is also engaging with the NEB and the British Columbia Oil and Gas Commission as it conducts its inspection.
- It is important to note, that the Province is legally required to apply its compliance and enforcement authorities in a fair manner regardless of our views of the merit of the project as a whole. This project must be treated consistent with other projects.

B.C. urges Trudeau's ministers to crack down on Kinder Morgan (November 3) <https://www.nationalobserver.com/2017/11/03/news/bc-urges-trudeaus-ministers-crack-down-kinder-morgan>

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**Additional government press release on Kinder Morgan:**

- Government takes action to protect B.C. over Kinder Morgan pipeline and tanker traffic expansion (August 10)  
<https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2017ENV0046-001417>

**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: fresh water threats in BC  
**Date:** Friday, December 29, 2017 16:34:16

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s.22 if you get anything on this from staff and send it to me, I can pass it on to  
CAs s.22  
Happy new year Eveline!

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**From:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX [<mailto:Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 13, 2017 2:10 PM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Subject:** RE: Thank you for taking steps to address fresh water threats in BC  
No it's not, I'll send it to staff.  
Thanks,  
Eveline

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 13, 2017 12:54 PM  
**To:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Thank you for taking steps to address fresh water threats in BC  
Will you let me know if there are response lines I can share with CAs regarding us protecting fresh water in BC.

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**From:** Conroy.MLA, Katrine  
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**Subject:** FW: Thank you for taking steps to address fresh water threats in BC  
Hi Susan,  
We've had four of these so far this week from our own constituents. Looks like a boilerplate letter.  
Is a coordinated response in the works yet?

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Angelika Brunner, Constituency Assistant

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Dear Honourable George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy,

Thank you for initiating the review of nitrate contamination in the Hullcar Aquifer. The independent review and recommendations are an important step to ensuring clean, safe drinking water in the North Okanagan and across British Columbia.

It is good to hear that the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Strategy is listening and has begun to implement recommendations of the review. I hope that this is a first positive step of many proactive actions to protect freshwater health in B.C.

In particular, I look forward to action on the promised review of water rental rates to ensure high-volume water users are paying their fair share and enough resources are raised to fund the development and implementation of the Water Sustainability Act. Monitoring and reporting regulations, regulations supporting collaborative watershed decision-making, and the development of Water Objectives--which can connect land-use activities with watershed outcomes--will be especially important to establish a strong regulatory framework for our shared waters.

Best regards,

s.22

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#); [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Additional measures being developed to protect B.C.'s environment from spills - BC Gov News  
**Date:** Tuesday, January 30, 2018 12:56:26

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Burnaby CAs and those from Minister Heyman's constituency office have expressed that a con call with you on this would be really helpful.

Any chance that can happen in the next couple of days?

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**From:** [noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca](mailto:noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca)  
**Sent:** 30 January 2018 10:00:35 (UTC-08:00) Pacific Time (US & Canada)  
**Subject:** BC Gov News - Additional measures being developed to protect B.C.'s environment from spills

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Jan. 30, 2018

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

#### NEWS RELEASE

Additional measures being developed to protect B.C.'s environment from spills

VICTORIA - The provincial government is proposing a second phase of regulations to improve preparedness, response and recovery from potential spills.

The first phase of the regulations, approved in October 2017, established a standard of preparedness, response and recovery necessary to protect B.C.'s environment. With some exceptions for B.C. oil and gas regulated entities, the Phase-1 regulations apply to pipelines transporting any quantity of liquid petroleum products, and rail or trucking operations transporting over 10,000 litres of liquid petroleum products.

For the second phase, the Province will be looking for feedback in five areas:

- \* Response times, to ensure timely responses following a spill;
- \* Geographic response plans, to ensure resources are available to support an immediate response, that take into account unique characteristics of a given sensitive area;
- \* Compensation for loss of public and cultural use of land, resources or public amenities in the case of spills;
- \* Maximizing application of regulations to marine spills; and
- \* Restrictions on the increase of diluted bitumen ("dilbit") transportation until the behaviour

of spilled bitumen can be better understood and there is certainty regarding the ability to adequately mitigate spills.

"The people of B.C. need to know that there is effective spill management across the province and, in particular, for our most environmentally sensitive areas, including coastlines," said George Heyman, Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy. "We believe spills should not happen. But if hazardous pollutants have potential to spill, our government will ensure that spillers must be prepared and able to fully mitigate the environmental damage before they proceed."

An independent scientific advisory panel will be established to make recommendations to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy on if and how heavy oils can be safely transported and cleaned up, if spilled.

"The potential for a diluted bitumen spill already poses significant risk to our inland and coastal environment and the thousands of existing tourism and marine harvesting jobs," Heyman said. "British Columbians rightfully expect their government to defend B.C.'s coastline and our inland waterways, and the economic and environmental interests that are so important to the people in our province, and we are working hard to do just that."

The process to receive feedback on the proposed regulations will feature engagement with First Nations, to begin as soon as possible. To ensure the views of the broad range of stakeholders are heard, government will meet with industry, local governments and environmental groups over the coming weeks and months.

As well, the general public will be able to provide input online through written comments, once an intentions paper is released. The intentions paper will provide an overview of the proposed regulations, and is expected to be posted before the end of February 2018.

A backgrounder follows.

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Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy  
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## BACKGROUNDER

Proposed regulations under the Environmental Management Act

The following are proposed regulations under the Environmental Management Act (EMA) to improve liquid petroleum spill response and recovery:

### 1. Response times

Response times are the established timeframes within which response resources will be activated and arrive at a spill site. Currently, the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy does not regulate in this area. Establishing response-time requirements would align with practices of other regulators, and those in neighbouring jurisdictions.

## 2. Geographic response plans

Geographic response plans (GRPs) identify sensitive, natural, cultural, or significant economic resources at risk from spills. They outline the response actions that are appropriate for that site to minimize impacts to these resources, should a spill occur. GRPs are map-based, and each one has a variety of information that is useful to responders, particularly in the first 48 to 72 hours of a response.

## 3. Loss of public use

Loss of public use refers to the requirement that spillers provide some form of restitution for the impacts of spills on the use and/or enjoyment of public spaces and resources. These include the use of beaches, parks and forests, the enjoyment of wildlife, wilderness spaces, food resources, recreation and drinking water, as well as the intrinsic value of archaeological and cultural sites.

## 4. Marine application

The Province seeks to broaden existing ministry authority to ensure provincial interests are fully addressed in marine spill prevention, preparedness, response and recovery. While the primary responsibility for marine spills lies with federal agencies, a spill of any significance will impact and involve all orders of government. The provincial government has a responsibility to ensure there is a regulatory framework in place that protects its coastal resources.

## 5. Diluted bitumen transportation restrictions

The Province will create an independent scientific advisory panel to help address the scientific uncertainties outlined in the report, The Royal Society of Canada Expert Panel: The Behaviour and Environmental Impacts of Crude Oil Released into Aqueous Environments. The recommendations of the advisory panel will inform future regulatory development and approaches to spill response.

In order to protect B.C.'s environmental and economic interests while the advisory panel is proceeding, the Province is proposing regulatory restrictions to be placed on the increase of diluted bitumen ("dilbit") transportation.

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From: [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
To: [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
Cc: [Vavrik, Anne LASS:EX](#)  
Subject: Re: KM messages  
Date: Wednesday, February 7, 2018 10:08:35

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Can I ask what the content is?

Caelie

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 7, 2018, at 9:50 AM, Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)> wrote:

Thanks for the feedback.

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**From:** Vavrik, Anne  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 07, 2018 9:48 AM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** FW: record of overnight messages

Morning Susan,

Just FYI we had 4 VM messages last night that sounded fairly scripted on KinderMorgan. I suspect it may be a campaign.

Thanks,

Anne

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Kinder-Morgan Pipeline and World Class Remediation  
**Date:** Thursday, February 8, 2018 14:02:49

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FYI

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Sent:** Thursday, February 08, 2018 12:43 PM  
**To:** Kang.MLA, Anne  
**Subject:** RE: Kinder-Morgan Pipeline and World Class Remediation  
I'll send a copy to MO staff.

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**From:** s.22  
**Sent:** February 8, 2018 11:48 AM  
**To:** Horgan.MLA, John; Weaver.MLA, Andrew  
**Cc:** Kang.MLA, Anne; Olsen.MLA, Adam; Furstenuau.MLA, Sonia; Farnworth.MLA, Mike  
**Subject:** Kindder-Morgan Pipeline and World Class Remediation

I have been watching the news about the twinning of TMP by Kinder-Morgan, and I am quite concerned that the current delay tactics won't stop the project or the shipping of dil-bit out of Burnaby. I am not sure about the ability of Bcc First Nations to stop the projects through the courts will succeed either.

I would like to suggest another point of view. Both the Harper and the Trudeau governments have promised world class abilities to clean up any environmental disasters that may arise from the export of dilbit through TMP through Burnaby. I haven't heard of any funding being made available to create the world class teams or facilities. I am reasonably sure that this will either fall on the shoulders of the BC and/or the State of Washington pocketbooks. My background is engineering, here is my recommendations:

- 1) Task the definition of "WORLD CLASS REMEDIATION" to both the University of BC and the equivalent institution in the State of Washington;
- 2) Charge TMP (K-M) a \$17 - \$23 per barrel surcharge to fund this world class endeavour.
- 3) Use primarily BC and Washington State indigenous personnel to man and run the facilities.
- 4) build the boats/ships/barges needed for the first class remediation now (or reasonably soon) and deploy them before they are needed.

I don't know what the definitions of world class will end up being, but it is 2 boats/ships with a crew of 12-18 on board accompanying each tanker from Burnaby to open ocean with barges strategically placed for emergencies, I think my estimates for the surcharge are spot on. After everything is built and paid for, and both the BC and Washington State governments are satisfied that the world class goals have been met, then the surcharge fees may need to be adjusted up or down as necessary.

It is prudent that “world class” facilities be built now and maned now, prior to a disaster that surely will come. Everyone would be negligent, and it would be a breach of their fiduciary responsibilities not to plan, build and man these contingencies.

I believe that the costs of such a plan should be born entirely by the industry creating the risk.

I will suggest that this be forwarded to the Governors Office in Washington State , his State EPA, the 2 WA Senators and the Commander of the US Coast Guard that is responsible for the Straights of Juan de Fuca.

Best Regards,  
s.22

Burnaby, BC s.22  
Canada

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**From:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#); [Vulliez, Shawn LASS:EX](#)  
**Cc:** [Williams, Chelsea S LASS:EX](#); [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Kinder Morgan Fence Messaging  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 13:55:04

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Hi everyone,

Please see the bullets below:

- The fence falls in the jurisdiction of the federal government. The province cannot stop its construction.
- The Trans Mountain pipeline expansion project significantly impacts British Columbia - with a disproportionate impact on B.C.'s marine coastal environment and Indigenous peoples in the event of a spill.
- Our government made a commitment to use every tool available to defend B.C.'s interests - and we are doing just that.
- From intervening in the Federal Court of Appeal to consulting on regulations to protect B.C. in the event of a spill, the government continues to defend B.C.'s interests.
- British Columbians can have confidence that we will continue to defend B.C.'s coast and the economic and environmental interests that are so important to us all.

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [mailto:[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)]

**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 9:51 AM

**To:** Vulliez, Shawn LASS:EX

**Cc:** Williams, Chelsea S LASS:EX

**Subject:** RE: Kinder Morgan Fence Messaging

Hi Shawn – I've made the MO aware of this and am asking for direction/messaging on how to respond.

I'll let you know when I hear back.

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**From:** Williams, Chelsea S

**Sent:** Monday, February 26, 2018 9:43 AM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>

**Cc:** Vulliez, Shawn <[Shawn.Vulliez@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Shawn.Vulliez@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** FW: Kinder Morgan Fence Messaging

Hi Susan, are you able to let Shawn know if we have messaging on this issue? Thanks, Chelsea

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**From:** Vulliez, Shawn

**Sent:** February-23-18 4:47 PM

**To:** Williams, Chelsea S <[Chelsea.Williams@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Chelsea.Williams@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Kinder Morgan Fence Messaging

Hi Chelsea,

Seems there is a viral story about the Kinder Morgan fencing on the water

(<http://vancouverisawesome.com/2018/02/21/kinder-morgan-fence-burrard-inlet/>) and we've received an e-mail about it, I'm also seeing posts on social media.

I believe this is port authority /federal jurisdiction – do we have any messaging?

Thanks.

In your service,

**Shawn Vulliez**

Constituency Assistant

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Citizens climate Lobby  
**Date:** Monday, March 5, 2018 15:06:53  
**Attachments:** [BCLeavebehind-Feb2018.pdf](#)

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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 11:28 PM

**To:** Chen.MLA, Katrina <[Katrina.Chen.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Katrina.Chen.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Seeking a meeting - Citizens' Climate Lobby

MLA Chen,

I volunteer for the Citizens' Climate Lobby, a group that lobbies MLAs and MPs for a revenue-neutral carbon fee.

I'm hoping to arrange a meeting to discuss CCL's current activities and raise concerns about the way BC's current carbon tax is structured. Although I realize this file isn't your official area of expertise, CCL is attempting to build awareness amongst all MLAs (and thus the outreach from volunteers like myself).

I've attached a summary of the content I hope to discuss.

Please let me know when it would be most convenient to meet at your constituency office and CCL volunteers will be happy to accommodate your schedule.

Sincerely,

s.22

## **REQUEST TO IMPROVE BC'S CARBON PRICING SYSTEM: A MAJOR TOOL FOR REDUCING GHG EMISSIONS**

February 2018

We applaud the BC government for:

- Continuing to lead the way on carbon pricing in Canada by re-initiating an increasing provincial carbon tax.
- Promising to expand the carbon tax to include fugitive emissions and slash-pile burning.
- Protecting those with low income through the climate action tax credit.
- Implementing a host of complementary measures alongside the carbon tax.
- Establishing the Climate Solutions and Clean Growth Advisory Council.
- Promising to review fossil fuel subsidies.
- Committing to set a new target to reduce greenhouse gases (GHGs) 40% below 2007 levels by 2030.

### **Our key concerns:**

1. BC will definitely miss our 2020 GHG emission target, and does not have an adequate plan to meet the promised 2030 target.
2. Any expansion of LNG will make meeting targets very challenging.
3. A carbon price of \$50 per tonne by 2022 won't be enough to meet BC's 2030 commitment. It must continue to rise past 2020 and reach at least \$150 per tonne by 2030.
4. BC's carbon tax covers only ~70% of emissions. An exemption of particular concern is upstream methane emission from natural gas production.
5. Revenues from the carbon tax are not fully returned to BC citizens, opening carbon pricing to being attacked as a tax grab.
6. Emissions reductions achieved by a carbon tax are counteracted by multiple subsidies given to the fossil fuel sector.
7. Some sectors are exempt from the full price of the carbon tax, but there are better ways to protect them from unfair competition from jurisdictions without a similar carbon price.

### **The simple steps needed:**

1. Fulfill the 2017 NDP promise to set the new legislated 2030 GHG reduction target, and create a real plan to achieve the target. Set regular science-based interim emissions targets, consistent with the Paris Agreement, up to 2050, building in accountability if targets are not met.
2. No promotion or approval of further LNG facilities until a sound plan to achieve the 2030 target, demonstrating how emissions from an LNG industry would impact the provincial target.
3. Commit to a rising BC carbon price beyond 2022, and push for an increasing national carbon price.
4. Expand the carbon tax to cover all GHG emissions, including best practices to estimate fugitive methane emissions from oil and gas operations.
5. Continue to include provisions to protect low and middle-income Canadians from price shocks as we transition to clean energy. For example, implement carbon fee and dividend. This will also ensure transparency – citizens will understand where their carbon taxes go.
6. End fossil fuel subsidies in BC and advocate the end of similar subsidies when the province of BC meets with federal, provincial and territorial counterparts
7. Support federal border carbon adjustments with international jurisdictions without a similar carbon price to level the playing field for businesses that are emissions intensive and trade exposed.

About CCL Canada: Citizens' Climate Lobby is a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization creating the political will for a livable planet.



**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Updated language around Old Growth  
**Date:** Monday, March 5, 2018 16:30:19

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I've never got anything from FNLRO, I can ask again though...

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**From:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX [<mailto:Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Monday, March 05, 2018 3:37 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan

**Cc:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

**Subject:** RE: Updated language around Old Growth

Hi Susan,

Did our Ministry develop messaging in the past or was it FLNROD?

Caelie

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]

**Sent:** Monday, March 5, 2018 3:35 PM

**To:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX

**Subject:** Updated language around Old Growth

Hi Caelie – do you have anything on this I can share with CAs?

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**From:** Herzog, Lawrence

**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 1:37 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>

Can you check and see if there is updated language around protection of Old Growth forests?

There are a couple of campaigns circulating now, with language like this:

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Vancouver Island's last remaining rare, endangered old-growth rainforest continues to be cut at a rate of 3 square metres per second.

I call on you to take immediate, aggressive action to enact a moratorium on old-growth logging in critical hotspots like the Central Walbran.

I urge you to work with First Nations and communities to implement a science-based Old-Growth Protection Act. It must be combined with strong support for First Nations governance and economic activities and improved second-growth forestry, creating new jobs.

Your government has promised to make BC's forests a priority. I am calling on you now to act in support of BC's globally rare, endangered old-growth forests and the people who depend on them.

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: KM tree-cutting response  
**Date:** Wednesday, March 7, 2018 17:38:08

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Thank you

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**From:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX [mailto:Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 4:04 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan

**Subject:** KM tree-cutting response

Hi Susan,

See our response below to writers about tree-cutting activities in Burnaby.

This may be useful for CAs.

Cheers,

Eveline

Thank you for your letter regarding the Trans Mountain Expansion Project.

Our government remains clear - the Kinder Morgan pipeline is not in BC's environmental or economic interests and we remain committed to employing every tool available to defend BC's interests in the face of the expansion of the pipeline.

The tree cutting permits in this area are solely within the jurisdiction of the City of Burnaby. In December of last year, the National Energy Board (NEB) ruled in favour of an application by Kinder Morgan to allow them to bypass municipal regulations and commence tree clearing. Our government disagrees with this ruling and this is why we filed for leave in February 2017 to appeal the NEB ruling. Unfortunately, we have no authority to delay or stop the tree-clearing activities.

I assure you that our government will continue to defend the interests of British Columbians, including asserting our right to regulate activities within our jurisdiction to prevent harm to B.C.'s environment, economy and other interests.

Thank you again for writing.

**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Meeting request May 7-May 11  
**Date:** Friday, March 9, 2018 12:19:33

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**From:** Dix.MLA, Adrian  
**Sent:** Friday, March 09, 2018 12:14 PM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan  
**Subject:** FW: Meeting request May 7-May 11

Hi Susan,

Our office received a voicemail and email from this group. Am wondering if any other offices received it, and what would be the best way to handle this request.

Thank you for your advice,

Thuy

**Thuy Pham** | Constituency Assistant | Adrian Dix, MLA Vancouver-Kingsway  
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**From:** s.22

**Sent:** Friday, March 9, 2018 11:57 AM

**To:** Dix.MLA, Adrian <[Adrian.Dix.MLA@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Adrian.Dix.MLA@leg.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** Meeting request May 7-May 11

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Sincerely,

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**From:** [Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX](#)  
**To:** [Lo, Reamick ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** Citizens Climate Lobby  
**Date:** Monday, March 12, 2018 12:51:03

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Thank you!

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**From:** Lo, Reamick ENV:EX [mailto:Reamick.Lo@gov.bc.ca]

**Sent:** Monday, March 12, 2018 12:30 PM

**To:** Vasilev, Susan

**Cc:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX

**Subject:** Citizens' Climate Lobby

Hi Susan,

Eveline is going to get you the messaging for the MLAs re their meeting with Citizens' Climate Lobby. Thanks.

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**From:** s.22

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From: [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
To: [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
Subject: FW: Stop Nestle from pumping water on expired permits  
Date: Monday, March 26, 2018 12:35:43

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From: Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
Sent: Wednesday, November 1, 2017 6:35 PM  
To: Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX  
Subject: Re: Stop Nestlé from pumping water on expired permits  
Agreed, it's been going around for a while...

Sent from my phone.

Eveline Xia

Ministerial Assistant to the **Honourable George Heyman**  
Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

On Oct 31, 2017, at 3:30 PM, Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)> wrote:

FYI campaign about Nestle - I think it is an ongoing campaign as I remember seeing something on it awhile back.

On 2017-10-31, 1:39 PM, <sup>s.22</sup>

wrote:

Ms. Mitzi Dean,

I am shocked that Nestlé is allowed to continue pumping millions of litres of water per day from its main well in Aberfoyle, Ontario despite the fact that the corporation's permit to do so expired over a year ago.

Nestlé's permit to pump water from a well in Hillsburgh, Ontario expired at the end of summer but the Wynne government has not posted Nestlé's renewal applications for either of these permits. The Ontario government must consult with the public and also obtain free, prior and informed consent from Indigenous peoples for these two permit renewals. However, the Wynne government has not made Nestlé's renewal applications public, or held public consultations on them.

Two-thirds of people in Ontario want the provincial government to phase out permits for bottled water takings.

Simply increasing the fees charged for permits will not do anything to protect vulnerable aquifers. The Ontario government is obligated to protect water as a public trust and ensure it is there for future generations.

I urge the Ontario government to protect water by:

- Immediately posting and holding public consultations on Nestlé's water pumping applications. Pumping should not be permitted on expired permits.
- Implementing a permanent moratorium on new permits for single-use bottled water facilities.
- Phasing out current permits for such facilities.
- Prioritizing community use over corporate interests for water resources in Ontario.
- Seeking the free, prior and informed consent of affected Indigenous peoples.

I also urge the Ontario government to review water fees for all other industrial water users, hold a series of public consultations on water priorities, and fund job retraining for workers in the bottled water industry.

Water is life. As my MPP, I urge you to speak out and take a position to phase out

bottled water for good. I believe that only these principled actions and strong leadership will help protect water in Ontario for current and future generations.

Sincerely,

s.22

Victoria

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**From:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**To:** [Xia, Eveline ENV:EX](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Kinder Morgan, Salmon netting  
**Date:** Monday, March 26, 2018 14:32:33

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**From:** Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, December 29, 2017 3:51 PM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan LASS:EX; Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Kinder Morgan / Salmon netting  
Hi Susan,

We have been working on a response related to this issue and it has recently been finalized. I believe Caelie has the final version...

Cheers,

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**From:** Vasilev, Susan [<mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 27, 2017 3:22 PM  
**To:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Kinder Morgan / Salmon netting

Hi Caelie and Eveline – apologies if this should be going to just one of you – hoping you can let me know if there is anything on this specific issue that I can send to CAs?

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**From:** Conroy.MLA, Katrine  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 21, 2017 11:34 AM  
**To:** Vasilev, Susan <[Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca](mailto:Susan.Vasilev@leg.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Kinder Morgan / Salmon netting

I know we've had a lot of support materials sent from you about Kinder Morgan issues, but I have not found specifically anything about the alleged use of netting being placed in rivers to interfere with salmon spawning.

I have a few constituents asking "Whatever happened with that?", whether it was legal, whether they are being held accountable. Do you know anything about it, or whom to ask?

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Angelika Brunner, Constituency Assistant

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