**Subject:** Summary of recent opinion research

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Don – please note attached as requested

### Briefing Note For Information Confidential Advice to Premier

Date: April 13. 2018

Prepared for: Ho. John Horgan, Premier

Title: Summary of recent opinion research – Kinder Morgan Expansion

POLLING FIRM: ABACUS DATE OF POLLING: March 21-28

**Methodology:** The poll presented eight arguments, four pro-pipeline and four anti-pipeline, to 900 B.C. respondents and asked them whether the arguments were persuasive.

Findings: The argument that persuades the most people (63 per cent) is that the pipeline expansion would greatly increase the risk of an oil spill" ..... While "(61 per cent) found persuasive the argument that 'all provinces benefit from Canada's oil and would benefit from this project going ahead.'"

Questions and Responses:

1. Would greatly increase risk of a spill: 63%

2. All provinces would benefit: 61%

3. Promotes climate harmful fossil fuels: 59%

4. "No" to a neighbour [Province] is a bad precedent: 56%

5. Project was reviewed and approved: 52%

6. Would polarize, undermine climate progress: 51%

7. [Review] process was flawed: 51%8. BC gets all the risk and no benefit: 46%

POLLING FIRM: ANGUS REID DATE OF POLLING: February 22nd

Methodology: The poll presented a survey of questions to 2200 Canadians from all Provinces.

**Findings:** The poll from the Angus Reid Institute finds Albertans themselves are, near unanimous in their backing of the project. British Columbians, on the other hand – are split. Indeed, the strongest opposition to the pipeline's expansion is found not in B.C., but Quebec. (These findings are largely unchanged from a similar poll conducted in 2016).

### **Questions and Responses:**

### 1. Which Side are Canadians taking:

National Total: 50/50 IN BC: 58% for BC Gov: 42% for AB Gov IN AB: 18% for BC Gov: 82% for AB Gov

### 2. Which of these Statements is closer to you point of view:

- a) The Federal Government should have final say since this project has a wider impact: 53%
- b) The Provincial Governments should have the power to stop piplines from being built through their durisdiction: 47%

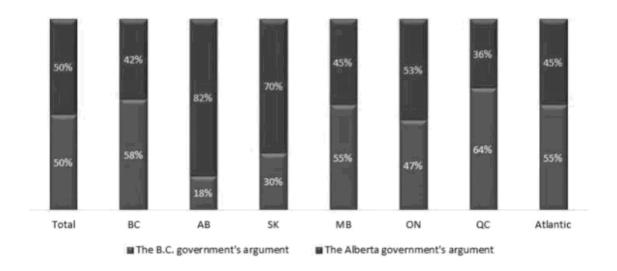
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### 3. Would you say you support or Oppose the expansion of the Kinder Morgan pipeline?

a. Strongly support: 19%
b. Moderately support: 30%
c. Moderately oppose: 17%
d. Strongly Oppose: 16%
e. Not Sure/Don't Know: 18%

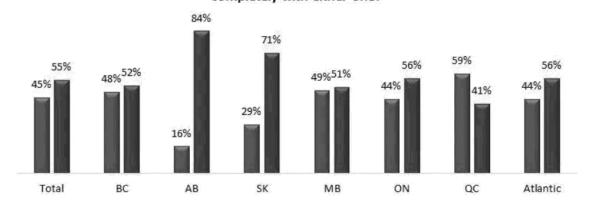
### 4. In each province, both BC and AB Govs have allies:

### Which of these arguments do you find more persuasive?



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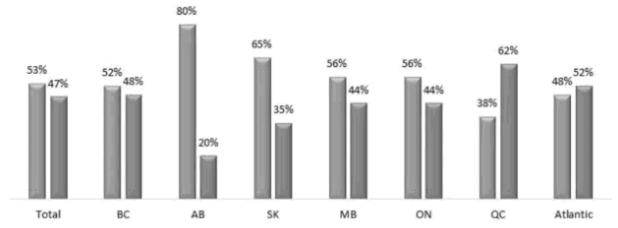
## Based on what you've seen, heard or read, including this survey – which statement best reflects your own point of view, even if you don't agree completely with either one?



- The B.C. government is RIGHT to try to delay the expansion of the TransMountain pipeline
- The B.C. government is WRONG to try to delay the expansion of the TransMountain pipeline

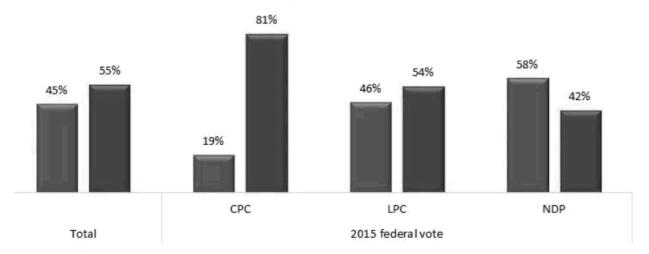
### 6.

### Which of the following statements is closer to your point of view?



- The federal government should have the final say since these have a wider impact
- Provincial governments should have the power to stop pipelines from being built through their jurisdictions

### Which statement best reflects your own point of view, even if you don't agree completely with either one?

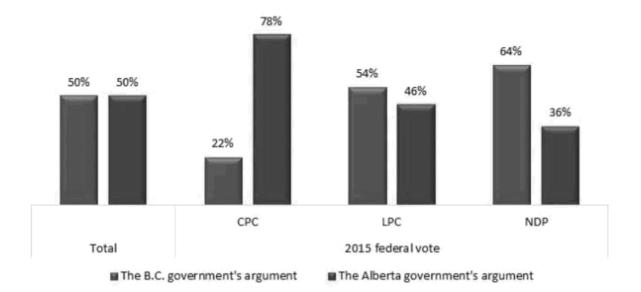


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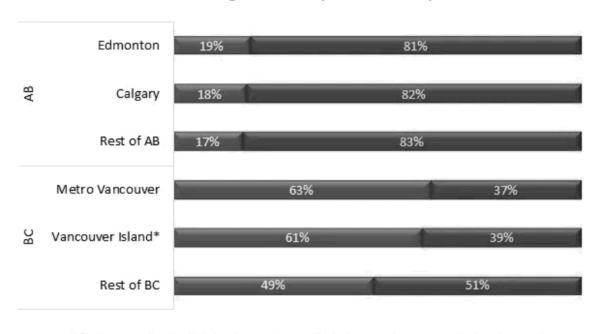
■ The B.C. government is WRONG to try to delay the expansion of the TransMountain pipeline

### 8.

### Which of these arguments do you find more persuasive?



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■ The B.C. government's argument
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■ The Alberta government's argument

### POLLING FIRM: INSIGHTS WEST

DATE OF POLLING: September 1-6, released on Sept 14<sup>th</sup>.

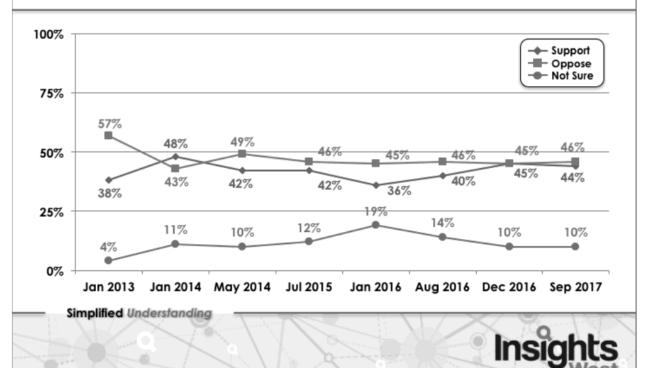
**Methodology:** Poll results are based on an online study conducted by Insights West from September 1 to September 6, 2017, among 817 adult residents of British Columbia. The data has been statistically weighted according to Canadian census figures for age and gender.

**Findings:** In the online survey of a representative sample of British Columbians, 46% of residents (+1 since an Insights West poll conducted in December 2016) say they oppose the proposed expansion of the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain pipeline, while 44% support it (-1 since 2016).

Questions and Responses:



# Given what you know about the proposed expansion of Kinder Morgan's Trans Mountain Pipeline, do you support or oppose the project?



Subject: Fwd: Polling results

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Attachments: 2018-1169 Positive Energy March OMNI - Prerelease Data-EMBARGOED UNTIL 7PM 15 April

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FYI. This will be released on Monday.

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Voila. Let me know if you need anything. Embargoed until Monday. Nik Nanos and I have an op-ed on this that the Globe plans to publish after the Summit. I will send you the draft under separate cover - it puts a narrative on the numbers. Monica

Sent from my mobile.

### **EMBARGOED UNTIL 7PM, 15 APRIL 2018**

Positive Energy Pre-release Findings submitted by Nanos to Positive Energy, April 2018 (Submission 2018-1169)







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