

# **Indigenous Rights**

This project increases risk of oil spills on unceded indigenous lands. Many Nations have launched lawsuits which have succeeded in stopping TMX in the past and have vowed to take the issue back to court. Over 100 First Nations oppose TMX, including:

- The Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC)
- Neskonlith
  Indian Band
  Lummi Nation

Swinomish Indian

**Tribal Community** 

- Tsleil-Waututh Nation
- Coldwater Indian Band
- Squamish Nation
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### Organizations opposing TMX:

#### Proposed TMX route runs within 1km of the homes of 100s of thousands of lower mainland residents





This route lies on the unceded territories of the x<sup>w</sup>mƏøk<sup>w</sup>ƏyƏm (Musqueam), S<u>k</u>wgwú7mesh (Squamish), & SellilikvƏtułh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations.

# Here's what YOU can do:

- Visit the Holmes Creek Protectors Camp In forested area southeast of Trans-Canada Hwy & North Road. Park at Lower Hume Park, 660 E Columbia Street, New Westminster, or Lougheed Mall. Contact ppstmx@protonmail.com
- Join or donate to an affiliated group. See list of organizations opposing TMX.
- Donate at brokepipelinewatch.ca
- Write to your MP or Environment Minsters: George Heyman BC Minister for Environment & Climate Change Strategy ENV.Minister@gov.bc.ca Jonathan Wilkinson Minister of Environment & Climate Change Jonathan.Wilkinson@parl.gc.ca
- Spread the word on social media & any other way you can.
- Distribute this brochure in your neighbourhood. Contact: ppstmx@protonmail.com
- Follow us on Facebook at: Protect the Planet Stop TMX

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# Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion **how does it affect** *ME*?





July 24, 2007 a Kinder Morgan pipeline ruptured, shooting a 40-foot high oil geyser & submerged a Burnaby neighbourhood in crude oil.

The proposed TransMountain pipeline route is coming to a neighbourhood near you! Here's why you should be worried:

 Inevitable oil spills
 Falling property values



Adverse health effects

# Find out what YOU can do to STOP TMX & protect the planet

'To ensure we stay below 1.5°C of warming, no further expansion of the oil industry or new oil infrastructure, such as Trans Mountain pipeline, is possible."

> Dr. Kirsten Zickfeld, SFU associate professor of climate science & lead author of July 26th, 2019 UN Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change special report

# **Citizen actions**

A succession of protestors, including Dr. Tim Takaro, Dr. Christine Thuring & Kurtis Baute have occupied a tree-top camp above the threatened Brunette River Conservation area in New Westminster, blocking construction of the Trans Mountain pipeline expansion. As of October 2020, no cutting or other work has been conducted at the campsite and we have expanded our blockade to other areas. Other blockades continue across BC where construction is underway.

#### "The science is clear - if we build more pipelines like this one, the world will be nothing short of apocalyptic by the time I reach old age."

Science communincator & anti-TMX tree-sitter Kurtis Baute, MSc

# **Adverse Health Effects**

Elevated emissions will increase the risk of heart and lung disease, extreme weather-related injuries, and emerging infectious diseases.\*

\* Major Human Health Impacts of the Kinder Morgan Trans Mountain Pipeline Expansion, Brubacher, Alicia et al.

#### "We are in a climate crisis & an ecological emergency. Building fossil fuel infrastructure does not correspond with reality."

Urban ecologist & anti-TMX tree-sitter Dr. Christine Thuring

Increased

**Emissions** 

The completion of

**TransMountain** 

corresponding expansion of the

pipeline and the

**Burnaby Terminal** 

will cause a rise in

to that of adding

almost 2.2 million extra vehicles.\*\*

emissions equivalent

# **Damaged Ecosystems**

The risk of oil spills is as high as 80 percent.\*\*\* Oil spill damage cannot ever be fully cleaned up. While BC Ministry of Environment's website states

that "all spills, whether reportable or not, must be adequately cleaned up by the person responsible" it provides no standard for adequate remediation.

Endangered orcas and all other forms of marine life are threatened by a seven-fold

increase in oil tankers. Transport Canada admits that it expects only 10 to 15 percent of a marine oil spill to ever be recovered from open water.

# **Negative Economic Effects**

Fossil fuels must be rapidly phased out and replaced by renewable, electric energy. Energy workers and their families must be assisted through the transition to clean energy. Support should include training in new technologies.

Any jobs created by TMX will be short-term, since climate change means the pipeline has no long-term viability.

# **Falling Property Values**

No one wants to invest in properties where there is a high chance of an oil spill. Resale values of homes and commercial properties are bound to fall in proximity to a pipleine.\*\*\*\*

# **TMX is Bad for Business**

Conversations for Responsible Economic Development (CRED), a pro-business and pro-economic development association of academics, professionals and business leaders interested in long-term prosperity in BC, says that over 800 businesses have joined together to raise concerns about investing taxpayer dollars in Trans Mountain's risky pipeline and tanker project. See credbc.ca.

#### "No short-term economic benefit can outweigh this risk. This is the right fight, in the right place, at the right time to firmly turn Canadian energy policy towards the planet's sustainable future."

Professor Tim Takaro, SFU Department of Health Sciences & anti-TMX tree-sitter

\*\* Impact on GHG Emissions and Climate Targets of the Trans Mountain Expansion Project, submitted to BC Government May 2014 by MK Jaccard & Associates.

\*\*\* Assessment of the Trans Mountain Pipeline and Tanker Expansion Proposal, Treaty, Lands & Resources Department of the Tsleil-Waututh Nation, May 2015. \*\*\*\* How Do Pipeline Spills Impact Property Values?' Assessing the real estate risk of an oil spill in southern British Columbia, CRED

