



## **Break Free from Fossil Fuels Kayaktivist training in Vancouver**

*Hundreds to take action against Kinder Morgan terminal to oppose tar sands expansion*

**May 4, 2016 (Vancouver, Coast Salish Territories, BC)** — A kayaktivist training organized by Greenpeace Canada and 350.org will be given to dozens of people ahead of the Break Free from Fossil Fuels action in Vancouver.

From May 3-16, a global wave of mass actions spanning twelve countries in six continents will target the world's most dangerous fossil fuel projects, including one in Canada. Hundreds of people have signed up to swarm Kinder Morgan's Westridge terminal by water and land on May 14th. The peaceful direct action will include a kayak flotilla that will surround the Kinder Morgan terminal by water. Another training will take place on 13th, in Cates Park, for those planning to take part in the sit-in on the land as well as those participating in the flotilla.

**WHAT:** Kayak flotilla activist training for action surrounding the Kinder Morgan terminal

**WHEN:** May 7th. Media is invited to attend training sessions from 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM, and 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM

**WHERE:** 1300 Discovery St, Jericho Beach, Vancouver. Kayaks will be in the water off [Jericho Pier](#)

**WHY:** The action will take place in advance of the National Energy Board's May 20 submission of its final recommendation on the Kinder Morgan pipeline, at which point the federal government will start its review of the project. Communities across British Columbia will use this action to send a message to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau that Canada must break free from fossil fuels and begin the transition towards 100% renewable energy now.

**VISUALS:** Participants learning and practicing "non-violent naval maneuvers" on the water, including various tools and tactics to use kayaks for civil disobedience. There will be large banners on land and banners/flags with the kayaks on the water. .

**WHO:** [Break Free Canada](#) is a mass action being supported by Greenpeace Canada, 350.org, Burnaby Residents Opposing Kinder Morgan Expansion(BROKE), Stand,

Tanker Free BC, the PIPE-UP Network, Leadnow, We Love This Coast, Council of Canadians & more. Organisers are available for advance interview.

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