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Greenpeace is disappointed with NEB's recommendation on Kinder Morgan, urges Trudeau to reject pipeline

19 May 2016 (Vancouver) – Greenpeace is disappointed that the National Energy Board (NEB) has approved the Kinder Morgan pipeline expansion contingent on 157 conditions being met.

“Seventeen First Nations on Kinder Morgan’s tanker and pipeline route have already stated their opposition to this project,” said Melina Laboucan-Massimo, Lubicon Cree First Nation member and Greenpeace Canada Climate and Energy Campaigner. “The NEB has refused to hear their voices. If the Trudeau government is truly committed to reconciliation and the implementation of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People, it has no choice, but to respect their no, and reject the project.”

The Kinder Morgan pipeline faces mounting opposition in British Columbia, where thousands of people have made it clear that they are unwilling to accept the risks the project brings to communities and the environment. Last weekend, [over 800 people swarmed Kinder Morgan’s Burnaby terminal on land and water](#) to send a message to the Trudeau government that the time for Canada to transition to a 100% renewable energy future is now.

“The NEB has completely disregarded the urgency that climate science demands,” said Mike Hudema, Climate & Energy Campaigner. “We can’t build more pipelines and meet the international climate commitments that Canada agreed to in Paris. With more and more extreme weather events endangering communities, it’s clear that if we want to keep our communities safe we need to move beyond fossil fuels. Canada has incredible renewable energy potential and it’s time we sped its implementation. Trudeau’s cabinet needs to live up to its global climate commitments, reject this pipeline, and unlock the tremendous social, economic and environmental benefits that investing in renewable energy would bring to communities from coast to coast to coast.”

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