

# PIPEDREAMS

A community forum series on what the Enbridge tar sands pipelines mean for Northwest BC

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The Enbridge proposal includes two parallel 1,150-kilometre pipelines from the tar sands in northern Alberta to Kitimat.

One pipeline would carry between 525,000 to 1,000,000 barrels a day of crude oil from the tar sands to the BC coast, while the second pipeline would carry 195,000 barrels a day of condensate, a chemical and petroleum mixture used to dilute tar sands crude oil extracted so that it can travel by pipeline.

Tankers would be necessary to transport the pipeline's contents of oil and condensate to and from the United States, China, India and other markets.

Approval of the Enbridge project would require creating a loophole in or lifting of a 34-year-old federal moratorium on crude oil tanker traffic in British Columbia's fragile inside waters. To transport both oil and condensate, as many as 320 tankers per year would travel BC's coastal waters and up a fjord to Kitimat.

## Presenters

**Jennifer Grant** is a policy analyst with the Pembina Institute. Since 2006 she has worked to address the cumulative impacts of oil sands operations and advocate for the development of effective policies. Jennifer represented the Pembina Institute on the Reclamation Working Group and the Watershed Integrity Task Group of the Cumulative Environmental Management Association (CEMA). She holds a M.Sc. in Ecosystem Management from the University of Calgary and a B.Sc. in Biological Sciences from the University of Victoria.

**Eric Swanson** holds a B.Sc. in Microbial Biology from the University of Calgary, where he also volunteered and worked extensively as an environmental advocate. Since 2007, Eric has worked with the Victoria-based Dogwood Initiative. His current work includes helping BC communities grapple with issues related to coastal tanker traffic and pipelines.

**Dr. Riki Ott** is a commercial salmon "fisherma'am," with a PhD in marine biology, who experienced firsthand the devastating effects of the Exxon Valdez oil spill and chose to do something about it. Ott retired from fishing and founded three nonprofit organizations to deal with lingering harm. She is the author of *Sound Truth and Corporate Myth\$* and *Not One Drop: Betrayal and Courage in the Wake of the Exxon Valdez Oil Spill*. She lives in Cordova, Alaska.

## Forum Schedule

Prince Rupert	Monday, March 16 (7 pm)	NW Community College
Terrace	Tuesday, March 17 (7pm)	Best Western Hotel
Kitimat	Wednesday, March 18 (7 pm)	Riverlodge Recreation Centre
Hazelton	Thursday, March 19 (1 pm)	Anglican Church
Smithers	Thursday, March 19 (7 pm)	Aspen Hotel

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