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Good Afternoon Council:

Some very quick, high-level notes from the PM’s pipeline announcement:

Pipeline expansion (re)approved

Pipeline not about increasing oil sands production but gives Canada a second market for oil (so no longer entirely dependent on USA market). He spoke about an absolute cap on oil sand production in order to reach Paris targets, even though oil sand production will increase as a result of extra pipeline capacity = 100 megatonnes cap for Alberta.

Is not about whether we export our oil, it is about where we export our oil and how we export it (pipeline safer than rail).

Will use $ (profits, tax could be up to $500 million a year) from pipeline to pay for the transition to the green economy. Use what you got, while you still can ☺

Construction is to start this summer

Still looking to sell pipeline with Indigenous participation

Liberals done more to protect environment than any other government

Pipeline will provide good (middle class) jobs

*Earlier today the House of Commons declares Climate Emergency: The motion, put forward by Environment and Climate Change Minister Catherine McKenna, calls on the House to recognize that "climate change is a real and urgent crisis, driven by human activity" and to "declare that Canada is in a national climate emergency which requires, as a
response, that Canada commit to meeting its national emissions target under the Paris Agreement and to making deeper reductions in line with the Agreement’s objective of holding global warming below two degrees Celsius and pursuing efforts to keep global warming below 1.5 degrees Celsius.” It passed with 186 votes to 63. According to the House of Commons Procedure and Practice guide, a resolution of the House “is a declaration of opinion or purpose; it does not require that any action be taken, nor is it binding.”

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