

Hello,

I am very concerned about the way the proposed Robert's Bank expansion is being handled. Before anything further is done the following needs to be done first:

1. Tighten and define legal and accountable responsibilities of the Government of Canada in managing Canadian Ports. In particular, define the duties and responsibilities of the Minister and Ministry of Transport.
2. Abolish the current system of choosing Boards of Directors to manage Canadian Ports. Amend Section 20 of the Marine Act which delegates power to the Boards of Directors for the management of port activities.
3. Terminate the current mandate of Canadian Ports.
4. Remove the power of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) to initiate, promote and/or participate in undisclosed agendas in collaboration with federal and provincial governments, as well as government bureaucrats.
5. Remove power of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority (VFPA) to be a proponent and/or a permitting authority of major Projects that have negative economic, environmental, and social impacts.
6. Remove power of the VFPA to conduct environmental assessments and mitigation/ compensation programs.
7. Redefine the role of port managers and introduce policies that provide the public with complete and accurate information.
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8. Ensure Canadian ports operate in the public interest.

Sincerely,

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