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submission: Submissions to the Tanker Review Panel Canada is one of the world's largest coastal states with over 244,000 kilometers of coastline. As climate change occurs, this impacts much of northern Canada and marine shipping will increase. As of Canada has a small population with few communities near much of the areas adjacent to its ocean space there needs to be and increase capability and capacity by coastal communities with respect to marine pollution response. This and can enhance and increase the existing regulatory framework for pollution response. Given the nature of Canada one size will not fit all and each of the marine regions need to be looked at individually.

For example, along our coasts various existing volunteer groups and the Canadian Rangers could play a much greater role with respect to pollution countermeasures. I have` written and commented on this matter extensively and these writings can be seen at the shipping matters blog. One example is the salvage article.
<http://wavepointconsulting.ca/west-coast-salvage-a-21st-century-view>

In addition, there needs to be an increased salvage capability on our coasts. The private sector can play a key role in ordination with pollution countermeasures through a variety of mechanisms needs to be explored by examining other jurisdictions and the unique marine trades that exist in the various regions of Canada.

These comments are based on over 30 years of practice as a maritime barrister and consultant for public and private sector clients in Canada.

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