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I am a life time member of the Alaska Native Sisterhood, Vice President of the Sitka Tlingit + Haida Community Council, and a delegate to the CCHITA. I am also a retired Hospital Administrator. I

am Takdeetoon of Hoonah and my father, Lester Roberts, was Nasteedl of Kuru Island.

Our culture teaches us that we must consider and plan for many generations who will come after us. We cannot drink oil. If oil soils our water, the salmon cannot live. I speak against building this pipeline that would soil our water and make our life style since time immemorial untenable.

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As a salmon troller in S.E. Alaska I am
very concerned about the Big Transboundary
mines which could affect some of our
most important salmon rivers.

Unfortunately British Columbia has a
bad reputation for environmental regulations,
especially in the area of mines.

These containment dams in a rainforest
earthquake-prone area are frankly terrifying.
Salmon runs which have fed the forest and
the people of all these areas could be for
many millenia could be destroyed in one accident
like the one which befell Mt. St. Helens.

Even studies have found that even small
leaks with trace amounts of metal contaminants
can effect the smell, therefore the homing ability,
of salmon migrations.

Please lobby and work to either improve the
designs significantly or get them shut down.

Thank you

Larry Spencer Severson F/V Dryas