

What's happening on Wet'suwet'en territory is appalling and illegal. Mass arrests at gunpoint, media blackout, RCMP police raids. What won't Canada do to force a pipeline through unceded land?

The Green caucus has had enough. Canada cannot say it intends to implement UNDRIP in one breath and in the next send armed police to remove Hereditary Chiefs from blocking a pipeline project they didn't consent to in the first place.

The Green caucus won't stand by any longer. Former leader Elizabeth May has created a paper petition demanding

- The removal of RCMP
- An end to the Coastal GasLink pipeline construction on Wet'suwet'en territory
- Scheduled, nation-to-nation talks between Canada and the Wet'suwet'en
- The implementation of UNDRIP

**And now, she needs your help.** She's prepared to get up in the House of Commons every day for the next month to demand these conditions. For everyday the House rises, she intends to press the Liberals to uphold Indigenous Rights and implement UNDRIP. **But she can't do it without your help.**

**Elizabeth only has the opportunity to present her petition once for every 25 names added.** That's why we're reaching out today. Imagine the change that could happen if all three of our caucus members presented this petition every day, if everyday three members of parliament pressed Justin Trudeau on Reconciliation and the stain that's spreading on our reputation. **If we can get just 75 signatures everyday for the next month, then we can make sure this issue stays front of mind for the Liberals.**

**Can you go out into your communities to collect names for Elizabeth's petition?**

Instructions:

- Read through the materials below
- Collect a few friends
- Print out Elizabeth's paper petition on single-sided paper
- Collect 32 names neatly in the boxes (illegible names won't be counted by the House so we've added slates for 32 names just to make sure your names count)
- Send back the petition, postage free, to Elizabeth May O.C., M.P., House of Commons, Ottawa ON K1A 0A6
- Keep sending us names

Sample dialogue for Greens

Hi there, are you aware of the RCMP raids that are happening on Wet'suwet'en land?

**IF YES**

Greens are upset about these flagrant violations to Indigenous Rights. Elizabeth May has a paper petition going around to remove the RCMP from Wet'suwet'en land and stop the pipeline from going through unceded territory, as the Hereditary Chiefs initially requested and Coastal GasLink ignored.

Would you like to add your name? [show petition]

**IF NO**

Coastal GasLink corporation is trying to force a fracked gas pipeline through unceded Wet'suwet'en territory. In response, after numerous unmet demands for meetings with the corporation and B.C. government, the Wet'suwet'en Hereditary Chiefs set up a blockade to stop the pipeline. The RCMP are now in the process of dismantling it.

For the last few weeks and across Canada, solidarity actions with the Wet'suwet'en broke out. Hundreds of thousands of Canadians are demanding that Trudeau respect Indigenous Rights and call off the RCMP.

Justin Trudeau needs to listen to the demands of the rightful owners of the lands. As Greens, we believe Canada needs to fully implement UNDRIP and honour Indigenous rights. This recent move by the RCMP is offensive to Indigenous peoples everywhere and will make it impossible for Canada to ever Reconcile.

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PETITION TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS IN PARLIAMENT ASSEMBLED  
**STAND WITH WET'SUWET'EN FIRST NATION**

**Whereas:**

- Canadian constitutional law is accountable to the human rights obligations outlined in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;
- Canada has also committed to the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action;
- The UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination has called on Canada to:
  - Immediately suspend work on the Coastal GasLink pipeline until free, prior, and informed consent is obtained from Indigenous Peoples;
  - Immediately cease the forced eviction of Wet'suwet'en Peoples;
  - Prohibit the use of lethal weapons against Indigenous Peoples and guarantee no force will be used against them;
  - Withdraw the RCMP and associated security and policing services, from traditional lands;
- Hereditary Chiefs have the right to grant consent, or not, for activities on their territories; and,
- The Coastal GasLink project has the potential to release massive amounts of methane through the extraction, transport, liquefaction and regasification processes

**We, the undersigned citizens and residents of Canada call upon the House of Commons in Parliament assembled to:**

- Commit to upholding the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples and the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada's Calls to Action by immediately:
  - Halting all existing and planned construction of the Coastal GasLink project on Wet'suwet'en territory;
  - Ordering the RCMP to dismantle their exclusion zone and stand down;
  - Schedule nation-to-nation talks between the Wet'suwet'en Nation and federal and provincial governments; and,
  - Prioritize the real implementation of UNDRIP

<b>Signature</b> (Sign your own name. Do not print.)	<b>Address</b> (Full home address, or city and province, or province and postal code.)

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## **Guidelines**

1. Petitions must not be altered or have any text added.
2. Petitions can be either double-sided, or have a blank back page.
3. A petition should contain signatures of residents of Canada only.
4. There is no minimum age requirement for anyone signing a petition.
5. Each petitioner must sign, not print, their name directly on the petition.
6. If a petitioner cannot sign because of illness or a disability, this must be noted on the petition and the note signed by a witness. Aside from this exception, you can only sign for yourself.
7. A petition must contain original signatures written directly on the document and not pasted, taped, photocopied or otherwise transferred to it.
8. No photocopies, scans, e-mails etc. as petitions are only admissible in hardcopy. Please return all original signed petitions, postage free, to:

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Please email [elizabeth.may@parl.gc.ca](mailto:elizabeth.may@parl.gc.ca) or call 613.996.1119 if you have any questions.

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