

Petition to the Minister of Transportation

We, the undersigned, citizens of Canada, residents of the Province of British Columbia and electors of ridings found in the Lower Fraser River,

draw the attention of **the Minister of Transportation** to the following:

1. Canada has signed the 2030 Nature Compact committing to halt and reverse biodiversity loss by 2030. Including to “collaborative effort between consumer and producer countries to advance global and regional sustainable supply chains...” and the Convention for the Protection of Migratory Birds in the United States and Canada.
2. The Fraser Delta is recognized as a Ramsar Wetland of international importance, a Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network Site and part of the Southwest BC Priority Area within the Pan-Canadian Framework for Species at Risk.
3. Researchers have published peer reviewed studies warning of extensive habitat loss and risk of ecological collapse on the Fraser River Delta and scientist have published an open letter stating; “If the recovery of Canada’s endangered and iconic wildlife is a priority for the government of Canada, as stated, then it must reject the proposed Terminal 2 project.”
4. The BC Great Blue Heron Society has petitioned the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development to investigate the lethal impacts of transmission lines on birds in the globally important bird habitat around the Roberts Bank Superport.
5. Environment and Climate Change Canada experts have warned of unmitigable and irreversible species-level risk to Western Sandpipers and shorebirds more generally should the Roberts Bank Terminal 2 project proceed as designed.
6. The Salish Sea Indigenous Guardians Association has written the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada requesting the implementation of a Regional Assessment that includes both the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 and DeltaPort 4 projects.

Therefor, your petitioners call upon **the Minister of Transportation** to

instruct the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority to **halt any work on the proposed Roberts Bank Terminal 2 project** until a Regional Assessment of the cumulative impacts of proposed transportation infrastructure projects on the Fraser Delta is conducted and results reported to the Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development highlighting alternative options for the import and export of containers on Canada’s west coast that best align with Canada’s commitments to enabling sustainable supply chains in support of efforts to halt and reverse the loss of biodiversity.

Signatures (sign your own name, do not print)	Addresses (full home address, <u>or</u> city & province, <u>or</u> province & postal code

