

**WEST COAST MARINE SPILL PREVENTION, PREPAREDNESS &
RESPONSE CAPACITY – A WESTAC ROUNDTABLE**
Friday, April 8, 8:30 - 2:30. The Wosk Centre, Vancouver
A Sharing of Views

WESTAC is bringing together transportation and other interested leaders for a conversation on the current status of the West Coast marine spill prevention, preparedness and response regime. Greater clarity and understanding of the issues is needed to inform future conversations and decisions among the stakeholders.

WESTAC was founded on the principle that a collaborative approach to finding solutions in western transportation will determine its long-term success. As a neutral and trusted platform for executive insights for over 40 years, this WESTAC roundtable is an opportunity for business, government and communities to share knowledge, promote debate and encourage civil dialogue to address issues of national significance.

WESTAC members have a desire and responsibility to safely and efficiently move Canada's commodities and energy products, as they have done in the past.

The Canadian marine industry has in place standards that meet or exceed International Maritime Organization (IMO) conventions and guidelines and continues to work on improving these as appropriate.

This roundtable conversation among industry, government and community leaders will advance the continuous improvement values to which the Canadian industry subscribes and contribute to building a world-leading marine safety and spill response regime.

Roundtable Structure:

The morning will focus on knowledge sharing and enhancing common understanding of issues among industry participants. In the afternoon, the focus shifts to understanding the different stakeholder perspectives and facilitating a conversation on how to move forward together towards a world-leading regime for the West Coast.

About WESTAC:

WESTAC (Western Transportation Advisory Council) is an association of transportation leaders in business, labour and government from across Canada, with a focused interest in the long-term competitiveness of Western Canada's trade and transportation network. The WESTAC forum provides a neutral platform for conversations on important issues in transportation and encourages a collaborative approach on supply chain challenges.

Schedule

- 1. 8:00 – 8:30 – Registration & coffee**
- 2. 8:30 – 8:50 – Brief History and Current Status**
 - > Capt. Stephen Brown – milestones in shipping
- 3. 8:50 – 9:50 Safety & Prevention**
 - > Protecting Our Coast
 - Capt. Kevin Obermeyer, Pacific Pilotage Authority
 - > Port State Control Program
 - Yvette Myers, Transport Canada
 - > Advanced Radar Systems
 - Capt. Gary Paulson, Port of Prince Rupert
 - Capt. Edward Dahlgren, Nanaimo Port Authority
 - > Port of Vancouver – Beyond Regulations
 - Chris Wellstood, Port of Vancouver
- 4. 9:50 – 10:10 Preparation**
 - > Spill Response on the West Coast
 - Michael Lowry, Western Canada Marine Response Corporation (WCMRC)
- 5. 10:10 – 10:25 Coffee Break**
- 6. 10:25 – 11:10 Response**
 - > The Greater Vancouver Integrated Response Plan – A New Collaborative Approach to Response Planning
 - Supt. Philip Murdock, Canadian Coast Guard
 - > The Coastal Protection Program: Involving Coastal Communities in Response Planning
 - Michael Lowry, WCMRC
- 7. 11:10 – 12:10 World-Leading Standards on Prevention, Preparedness and Response**
 - > Transport Canada: Improving Marine Safety: Past, Present, and Future
 - Joyce Henry, Transport Canada
 - > Government of British Columbia: The Nuka Report
 - Dr. Mark Zacharias, Government of British Columbia

Q&A
- 8. 12:10 – 1:00 Working Lunch**
 - **12:30 – 12:50 Outside perspective on world-leading: Ole Aspholm, DNV GL**

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9. 1:00 – 2:30 Towards Continual Improvement

A facilitated discussion on what's next – how to create a coastal protection plan that will build confidence in the movement of vessels on Canada's west coast

- Facilitator Capt. Stephen Brown, West Pacific Marine Ltd.

- > 1:00-1:30 Getting it right – sharing different perspectives
 - **Safe, Healthy Communities:** Mayor Ralph Drew, Village of Belcarra
 - **The Economy & Jobs:** Capt. Claus Thornberg, Cenovus Energy Inc.
 - **Environmental Protection:** Dr. Richard Wiefelspuett, Executive Director, Clear Seas Centre for Responsible Marine Shipping
 - **Reconciliation and Responsibility with Aboriginal Partners:** Dr. Michelle Corfield, Corfield & Associates Consulting Services

- > 1:30 – 2:30 Discussion – creating a roadmap – where do we go from here?