By enacting bylaws, the St. Andrews and Campobello Councils can stop the Downeast LNG project and prevent any more LNG terminal projects from being proposed for either side of Passamaquoddy Bay.

ASK YOUR MAYORAL AND COUNCIL CANDIDATES WHERE THEY STAND ON THIS ISSUE.

With municipal elections approaching on May 9th, candidates as well as town and area residents in the Passamaquoddy Bay region should remember the significant and continuing threat that the proposed LNG import/export terminal in Robbinston, Maine, poses to our area. And they need to understand that the newly elected councils of Saint Andrews and Campobello Island have a great opportunity and also the power to resolve this problem once and for all.

While the governments of Canada and New Brunswick have stated that they strongly oppose the passage of LNG tankers through Head Harbour Passage and into Passamaquoddy Bay, they have not taken decisive action to end the threat that LNG still poses to our area. So far Ottawa has refused to enact a regulation or law prohibiting LNG ship transits into the bay, and the government of New Brunswick has discouraged Campobello Island and Saint Andrews councils from using their power to enact zoning bylaws that could stop Downeast LNG dead in its tracks. Because both councils have the responsibility as well as the power to protect their communities, they have the ability to pass local bylaws prohibiting large foreign or domestic federally defined hazard zones from encroaching on zoned residential and recreational areas. The new bylaws would prohibit Downeast LNG’s tankers or any other LNG tankers from transiting into and out of Passamaquoddy Bay. Enactment of these bylaws would mean that by continuing to consider the proposed Downeast LNG project the US Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) would be aiding and abetting an illegal activity. Thus, by enacting these bylaws our communities can stop the LNG permitting process at FERC.

Bylaws in St. Andrews and Campobello can eliminate the enormous safety, environmental and economic threats that LNG continues to pose for our region. On May 9th vote for candidates who will enact bylaws prohibiting LNG hazard zones from encroaching on our communities and endangering our lives and livelihoods.

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