

SAVE PASSAMAQUODDY BAY - PROTECT OUR HOMELAND

Latest Action of our Passamaquoddy Group

Tribal members who are part of the Save Passamaquoddy Bay/We Protect Our Homeland group met with the tribal council last week in a special meeting.

“We made a motion to Tribal Council to permanently dissolve any exclusivity agreements with Quoddy Bay LLC,” opponent Vera Francis said, “and to stop any related planned or current tribal land lease agreements and basically to develop an economic community development approach that makes best use of the considerable talents of all the people of Sipayik [Pleasant Point] and the Passamaquoddy Tribe.

“Tribal leadership or legal representatives can’t do anything now unless it is in front of the council and then it’s open to public scrutiny,” Vera Francis said.

“This particular motion requested that there be no signatures on any agreement without this going through a public process. What this meeting did

was bring everything out into the public. It is established transparency. The developer and these back room deals are now exposed. No more secrets.

“We requested, and received a copy of the exclusivity agreement and it is shockingly lopsided in favor of the developer. Anyone who participated in signing this agreement was not looking out for the tribe. This developer needs to end his work and leave our homeland and the area.

“Tribal council voted to approve the motion. We will hold our leadership to this agreement.”

This flyer is being distributed to the Passamaquoddy community, national media, worldwide indigenous and environmental rights organizations, and other Native communities, and can be downloaded from our website.



This is ‘QIQSOLAMIT KUHKUKHAHS, the Screech Owl. In Passamaquoddy legend it comes to warn that danger is nearby. This is such a time.

by David Moses Bridges

Passamaquoddy People

March 30, 2005



Who Take Care of the Land

reclaim our exclusive and sovereign right to design and create socially responsive projects on our own lands. We reject any claim by Quoddy Bay LLC to interfere with, usurp or disrupt these rights. Self-determination must be the basis for all development and positive change in our homeland.

Exercise Sovereignty

Proactive social and economic planning means that we consider the long-term impacts of our choices, and how these choices either support or strain the limitations of our environments.

We vow to protect our basic human rights to clean air, clean water, abundant wildlife and other

renewable resources as proposed by the “seventh generation” amendment.

Monitor Development

Passamaquoddy people need to achieve self-development & self-determination and work towards local self-su order to break the chains of dependency on external sources.

To ensure that our sovereignty is respected and that our goals are realized, Nulankeyutmonen Nkitahkomikon (People Who Take Care of the Land) commits to the following actions:

- 1) We will provide direction for our community & economic development campaign by speaking for ourselves and determining what is best for us.
- 2) Make a coordinated approach to address the environmental and social threats of unsustainable

development on tribal lands and territorial waters.

3) Increase knowledge and understanding of the issues relating to large-scale projects that involve Passamaquoddy people.

4) Foster a cross-disciplinary understanding of Passamaquoddy people and the holistic contexts in which we live.

& Engage Culture

Passamaquoddy people following a democratic and open decision making process, have rights to:

- 1) Use, control and manage their resources;
- 2) Prior informed consent to any proposals which a or resources; and
- 3) Reject any proposal that negatively impacts our human and ecological health rights.

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Latest Action of our Canadian Group

Canadian members of Save Passamaquoddy have been working with organizations, businesses, and individuals to make clear the Canadian resistance to an LNG industrial site in Passamaquoddy Bay. Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission recently released their objection.

The Roosevelt Campobello letter reviews all of the reasons to object to the LNG project. Copies of the letter were sent to national media and to US Secretary of State Condelezza Rice.

We protect what we love.
—Jacques Cousteau



Issues of Importance to The Park, Its Mission and Its Resources

(See complete text on our website www.savepassamaquoddybay.org)

The Roosevelt Campobello International Park and its Commission have grave concerns regarding the proposed development of an LNG terminal ... Our concerns relate to the following subjects.

SAFETY OF TRANSPORT OF LNG

The safety of the transport of LNG on international and Canadian waterways and navigable routes immediately abutting or adjacent to the Park and to virtually all areas on Campobello Island's northern and western shores is of critical importance. Taking the route all together with the attendant physical, tidal, current and fog limitations, this proposal poses risks that are of such proportions and degrees as to make the safe transport of LNG in tankers to Pleasant Point impossible.

PRECEDENT

The position of the Canadian government has been stated publicly in Notes and letters on at least five occasions between 1973 and 1981. The conclusion has consistently been that "a large scale movement of pollutants in an area unsuited to such traffic, ... would place at risk the economy, the environment, indeed the way of life of Canadians in the Passamaquoddy area, and a part of the natural heritage of all Canadians." The Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission fully agreed with and supported this position of the Canadian government at that time. This LNG proposal creates even greater risks, and economic and environmental concerns are even greater today. Although the species sought have changed since the 1970s, fishing for lobster, herring, sea urchins, soft-shelled clams, periwinkles, mussels, scallops, and sea cucumbers is of vital economic significance to the local and traditional economy, as is the fish and shellfish aquaculture industry. All such fisheries would be threatened.

OTHER ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES IMPACTED

It should be noted that there is a strong likelihood that all boat, fishing and ship traffic from beyond Head Harbor on Campobello

Island to and including the area of the proposed LNG terminal would be completely shut down and excluded from the area at any time when an LNG delivery was expected. That alone would have significantly disruptive and negative effects on the local and regional economy and all marine related commercial and recreational activities.

CONCLUSION

In the words of Franklin D. Roosevelt, Jr., alternately a chairman or vice chairman of the Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission at the time of the Pittston oil transshipment and refinery proposal, the Commission, "...is responsible to the Governments of the United States and Canada for the maintenance and protection of the Roosevelt Campobello cottage as a memorial to President Roosevelt and as a symbol of international friendship between our two countries. It is also responsible for the (preservation and protection of some 2,600 acres [actually 2,800 acres] of natural areas, including extensive shorelines, on Campobello Island."

Because of these obligations and the responsibilities of the Commission, placed on the Commission by treaty as well as by the respective enabling legislation in both countries, the Commission opposes the location of an LNG terminal at Pleasant Point or any area in the vicinity of Campobello Island that would require the transport of LNG through Head Harbor Passage or any area proximate to Campobello Island.

Respectfully submitted,

The Roosevelt Campobello International Park Commission

(Unanimously adopted at the Commission's March 2005 meeting, with one Alternate Commissioner not participating.)

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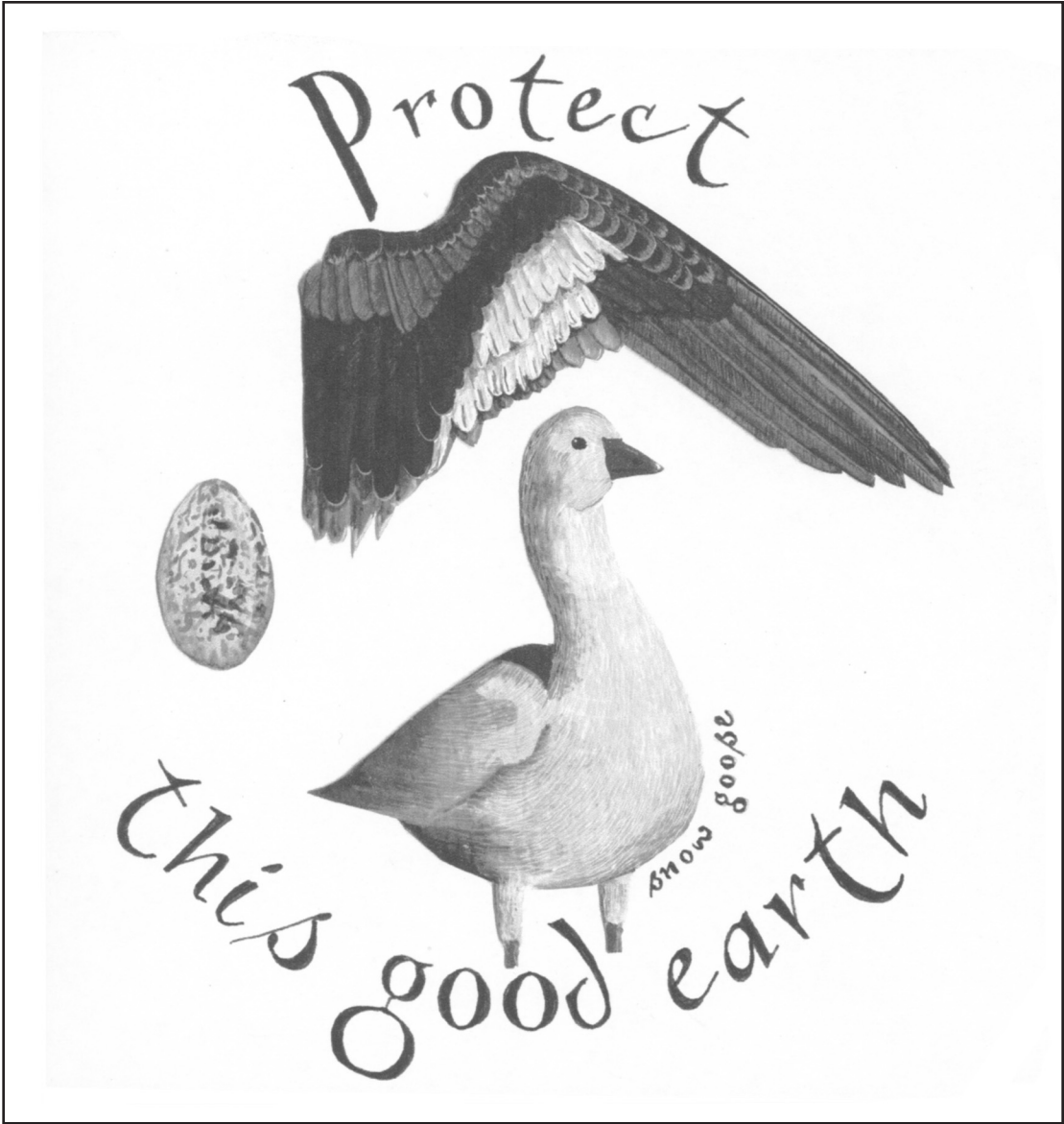


Latest Action of our Perry Group

Members of our group are standing firmly with the legal vote of the People of Perry 279-214 to REJECT an LNG terminal at Gleason's Point.

While the developer and his collaborators conduct telephone polls designed to unsettle voters, host private meeting in attempts to seek support for possibly another vote, and comb the reservation and coastline saying they are looking for another location, our members are strong and determined to uphold the democratic process that resulted in the courageous Perry REJECTION.

Members of our group, known as the Perry Six, who signed the legal documentation asking the District Attorney to investigate whether Quoddy Bay LLC (or any of its officers, employees or agents) violated Maine's bribery statute, 17-A MRSA-602 (1)(A) —when it offered the town of Perry one million dollars a year for 30 years if they would vote to approve the proposed LNG terminal at Pleasant Point — have been receiving enormous support from neighbors around the bay. Petitions with over 1000 names are in the process of being received, and sent to Governors Baldacci and Francis, and the Canadian Parliament.



This card, created by Gretchen Mead is available at The Commons. A portion of each sale goes to Save Passamaquoddy Bay.

We need your support to fund the action of Save Passamaquoddy Bay. Many volunteers are donating hundreds of hours of time and talent to keep this effort alive until the bay is safe from LNG and to work together on ways to develop solutions so that this type of threat stays away from the Passamaquoddy Bay shores forever. All of our support has come from individuals and small businesses. To date, we have raised US\$15,333.95. Every donation has been spent on media, events, supplies, travel assistance, phone and faxing. We need support now to complete commitments related to the Perry vote, and to keep our efforts moving to final victory. Please give, give again, and ask friends and family to join in the effort. Together we are saving Passamaquoddy Bay!

Your help is needed as we continue this effort to Save Passamaquoddy Bay:

Please send your contribution to:

Save Passamaquoddy Bay/Protect Our Homeland
c/o The Commons
P.O. Box 314
Eastport, Maine 04631
207-853-4123

Name: _____
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City/State/Zip: _____

☐ Yes, please add me to your email list.

Email: _____

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Earth Day Celebration

Come One! Come All!

Celebrate Earth Day 2005

Sunday, April 24th starting at Noon ET / 1:00 pm AT — stay until Full Moon.

Potluck Hot Dog Picnic and Beach Cleanup

Bring picnic stuff, the family, chairs, music, games!

Come Celebrate the Beauty of the Earth and Passamaquoddy Bay!



A 3-Nation Sail-ebration

July 1 – 4

Fill Passamaquoddy Bay with everything that floats!

Watch for more details about events being planned on the bay from Canada Day to Independence Day — sailing, canoeing, kayaking, pleasure boats, schooners and lots of onshore fun too.

Let us know if you'd like to participate in the planning.

Watch our website

www.savepassamaquoddybay.org

Visit www.quoddyloop.com to learn about places to stay — reserve now!

THE GREEN COAST

A 3-Nation Initiative For Sustainable Economic And Energy Development

Expanding Our Effort Joining Our Strength!

This is the first in a series of gatherings for all coastal communities that have been, or may be, threatened with heavy industrial development, especially LNG.

Inland community members who love the coast are also invited to participate.

This new coalition will work toward new, creative, realistic action.

Saturday, May 28th

10:00 am – 5:00 pm ET / 11:00 am – 6:00 pm AT

Crohn Center on South Meadow Road in Perry

Watch our website for registration and program details. Call 207-853-4123 or write us at P.O. Box 255 for information about supporting or participating in this effort. Let us know if you have an idea to share. Visit to learn about places to stay if you come for the weekend.

