

SOCIO-ECONOMIC BENEFITS FOR ALBERTA

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The Northern Gateway Project will provide numerous benefits to the residents of Alberta. These benefits include:

- employment
- skills development
- procurements opportunities
- contributions to the community and province through a secure tax base

With an estimated capital cost of \$5.5 billion, the Project will create thousands of job opportunities for regional residents throughout the project construction and operations, while providing approximately \$913 million in tax revenues during construction.

Project Employment

- Project construction will create about 15,150 person-years of employment over the period from 2009 to 2016. This includes:
 - 1,441 person-years of employment on actual on-site construction
 - 4,444 person-years of employment in companies that directly supply goods and services needed for construction
 - 9,265 person-years of spin-off employment (indirect economic activity)
- During peak construction (2015), about 1,155 workers will be directly employed to construct the pipeline and facilities.
- Regional residents are expected to account for 75% of direct construction employment of which Aboriginal residents, contractors and companies will account for 20%.
- Permanent operations will directly employ 26 people at various locations throughout Alberta. Regional residents are expected to be hired for all direct operational jobs.
- Directly and through economic spin-offs (indirect effects), project operations will create 379 jobs in Alberta.
- Direct project employment in Alberta will provide \$2.6 million in wages and benefits.

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Project Construction

- Project construction in Alberta will be spread over 3 years and will cost \$1,579 million (2009). This represents 28% of project costs. Peak construction activity will occur in 2015 and 2016.
- Project spending during this period will increase economic activity in Alberta (as measured in terms of Gross Domestic Product or GDP) by \$1,846 million. This includes:
 - \$901 million resulting from direct project spending.
 - \$945 million in economic spin-offs (indirect and induced economic activity)
- The project is expected to operate for 30 years with average annual operating costs in Alberta of \$78 million.
- Operational spending is estimated to annually generate \$78 million in Alberta GDP, including direct effects and economic spin-offs (indirect and induced effects).
- The Alberta government is expected to receive \$114 million in tax revenues during construction. This includes business and personal taxes.
- Annual tax payments to the Alberta government will total about \$15 million.