Petition to the House of Commons of Canada

Whereas a joint federal-provincial environmental impact assessment concluded that the Site C dam project in British Columbia would “severely undermine” the rights of Indigenous peoples – rights that are protected by Treaty 8, section 35 (1) of the Canadian Constitution Act and the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples;

And whereas the Site C dam would impact over 330 archaeological sites, including sacred grounds and numerous burial sites by creating a reservoir 83 kilometres long;

And whereas treaty 8 has had to address these impacts through court challenges while permits continue to be issued by the Federal Government to allow construction to continue even while Treaty 8’s constitutional rights are being reviewed by the courts;

And whereas West Moberly First Nation Chief Roland Willson said the Site C dam will not pass the Sparrow test, a legal litmus test for determining if a government justifiably violates First Nations rights, because there is no demonstrable need for the Site C power. The Chair of the Joint Review Panel agrees that “the case that we need this power by 2024 was not made then and is in even worse shape now”.

Therefore, we the undersigned, residents of Canada, call upon the Government of Canada to suspend all federal Site C project approvals and issuance of any further.

Name	City	Province	Telephone	Email	Signature

Please send signed petition to Alistair MacGregor, MP for Cowichan-Malahat-Langford, House of Commons, Ottawa, K1A 0A6