

Trudeau squeezed in pipeline crisis

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau is caught in a political crisis over expanding the Trans Mountain pipeline to move 890,000 barrels of oil per day from landlocked Alberta's oil sands to the Pacific coast

■ Project will create 37,000 direct and indirect jobs and C\$7.4bn (US\$6bn) in government revenues, according to operator **Kinder Morgan**

■ Trudeau says pipeline is in national economic interest and part of his plan to transition to cleaner energy

■ Plan fiercely opposed by British Columbia, many municipalities, some Aboriginal groups, and environmental activists concerned about possible oil spills



Alberta oil sands:
170 billion barrels of proven oil reserves

TRANS MOUNTAIN EXPANSION

Project will twin existing 1,150km line built in 1953 – only West Coast link for Western Canadian oil

Expansion will increase capacity from 300,000 to 890,000 bpd

Cost: \$7.4 billion

— Existing pipeline

— New pipeline

■ Terminal

