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REPORT SUMMARY

Until recently pipelines have not received much public or media attention. The lines, and the companies that operated them, flew under the radar. Their journeys through the regulatory system were usually simple, quick and free of rancor.

This is certainly no longer the case. Applications for pipeline projects like Enbridge's Northern Gateway to the west coast or TransCanada's Keystone XL to the US Gulf coast have become lightning rods for public and media attention. Even possible projects that have not yet been applied for, such as the potential reversal of the Portland Montreal line, have triggered passionate debate.

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In addition to triggering media and public attention, the Northern Gateway and Keystone have resulted in frictions among jurisdictions (Alberta and BC and Canada and the US, respectively).

As pipeline approvals slowed to a crawl amidst increasing oil sands production companies began to look for alternative methods to get product to market. Articles on the potential for rail shipments, and subsequent reports on the increasing use of rail, started to show up. However, this alternative was not without controversy as a series of high profile rail accidents showed. Shipping also received attention, both in relation to offshore transport from pipeline terminals such as Northern Gateway and TransMountain, but also concerns that bitumen may be shipped on the Great Lakes.

It would be a good thing if all of this attention served to create and nurture a forum for civil discourse that would advance the public's understanding of the role of pipelines in our daily lives and allow them to be better informed participants in the regulatory process. However the nature and tone of the dialogue has not served us well – instead it has resulted in divisions, protests and civil disobedience.

This report provides a chronological record of media headlines related to a variety of pipelines and pipeline proposals in Canada and the United States from April 2010 to December 19, 2014. The headlines were retrieved from OSRIN's What's New series (<http://www.osrin.ualberta.ca/Resources/WhatsNew.aspx> – our daily news feed) and from the OSRIN Videos collection (<http://www.osrin.ualberta.ca/Resources/Videos.aspx>). This is certainly not intended to be a full record of all media headlines on the subject – we attempted to provide a range of views from a variety of different sources in keeping with our mandate to provide a balanced view of oil sands development.

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1 INTRODUCTION

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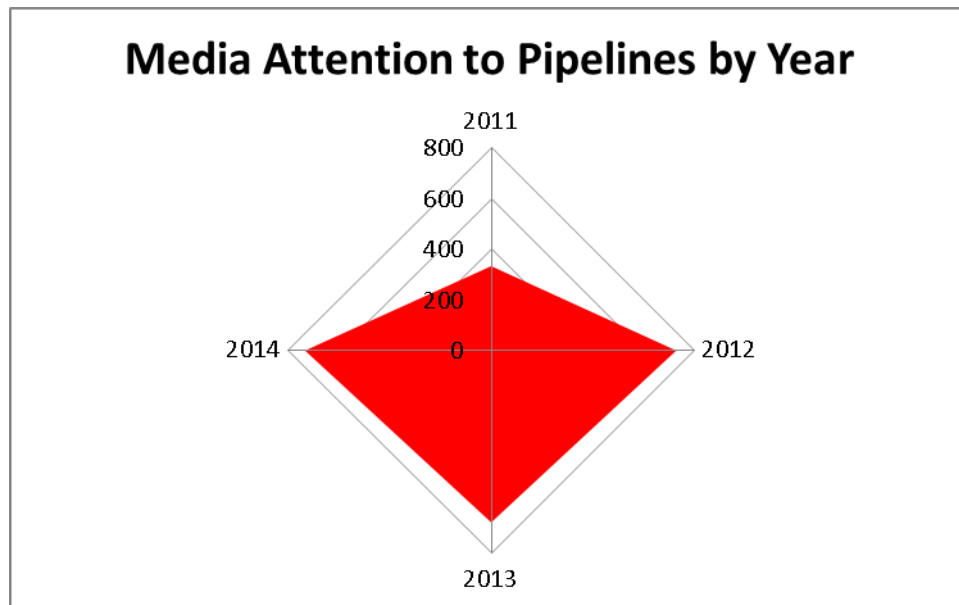


Figure 1. Media articles and videos from 2011 to 2014.

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1.1 Structure of this Report

For convenience, the media headlines have been split into categories based on the direction of the pipelines – Alberta (for those pipelines wholly contained in the province), West, East and North (within Canada) and South (to the United States). Within each of these main headings one or more sections are provided for specific pipelines that generated significant media attention. A General category is also included in each section for cases where the article is about more than one pipeline, or about different pipelines than the main ones.

The report starts with a General section that includes headlines that apply broadly to pipeline issues and ends with headlines on pipeline alternatives – primarily rail but also trucking.

In addition to the figures in each of the key sections below, [Appendix 1](#) provides some *heat maps* showing distribution of media articles by direction, year and sector to give a visual perspective.

1.2 Some Observations on the Content

Here are some things to think about as you read through the headlines:

- Headlines are, by design, intended to be provocative so the reader is drawn into the rest of the article. In some cases the content is a little less provocative or there is at least some attempt at balance. In other cases though the content reflects and amplifies the headline.
- The wide variety of sources represented here is as interesting as the headlines (e.g., places we would not think of as being interested in or affected by Alberta's oil sands).

- The charts show that media attention can be cyclical as media and their readers focus on other events. Attention returns as a result of specific triggers (e.g., start or completion of a regulatory process, an event such as a spill or accident, political events or pronouncements, or the participation of a celebrity).

1.3 Links

The intent of OSRIN's What's New series was to bring current news to readers. Articles were only added to the series if there was a link available. Unfortunately, as reported in our [Losing Oil Sands Voices](#) piece, many media outlets remove links after a period of time. Keeping up with the status of links is time consuming, and is made even more difficult now that many media outlets have instituted a pay wall system (allowing only a few free articles per month). As a result OSRIN regrets that some links contained in this report may not be live at the time you read this¹.

2 PIPELINES GENERAL

This section contains headlines relevant to pipelines in general. Often the articles are about the politics of pipelines and the relationships between Alberta, Canada and potential consuming nations.

Figure 2 shows the number of headlines each month in this category. There were 158 headlines over the reporting period.

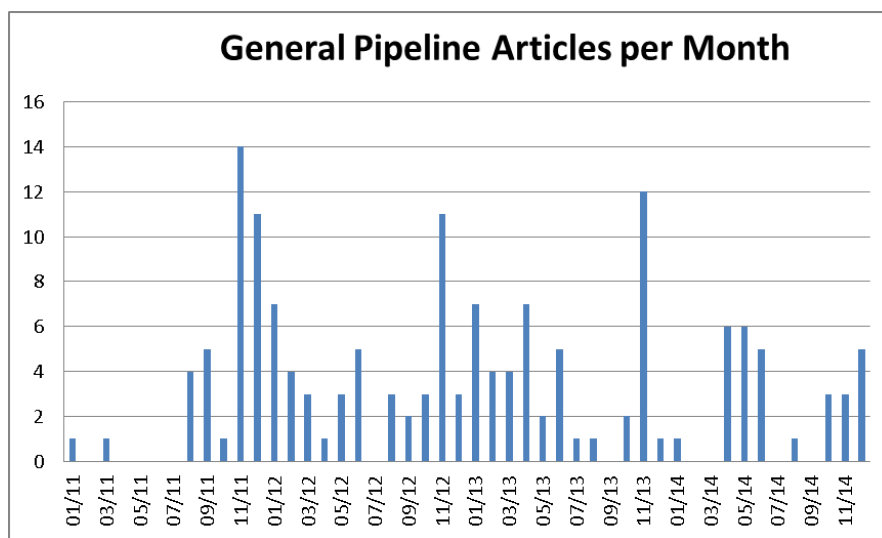


Figure 2. Number of general pipeline headlines each month.

¹ You can still go the old fashioned route and head to your local library to dig up the articles in the original newspaper or go to your library's website and access the older articles online. Most public and university libraries in Alberta have access to Canadian Newsstand which provides full text access to major Canadian newspapers.

2.1 2011 News – General

2.1.1 January

NRDC – [Tar sands pipeline safety risks](#)

2.1.2 March

Alberta Primetime – [Corrosive Bitumen in Pipelines?](#) (video)

2.1.3 August

Globe and Mail – [Oil sands critics target a new concern – pipelines](#)

Reuters – [Corrosiveness of oil sands crude an unproven science](#)

Reuters – [Seeking answers on oil sands crude corrosion](#)

Macleans – [Choking the oil sands](#)

2.1.4 September

New York Times – [Keystone XL tests U.S.-Canada energy ties as Asian suitors loom](#)

MIT Technology Review – [Canadian oil sands headed to Asia?](#)

Houston Chronicle – [China invests billions in Canada oil sands](#)

Edmonton Journal – Keystone controversy highlights investors' dilemma - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Pipelines face shifting political climate - link no longer available

2.1.5 October

Globe and Mail – [Pipeline capacity crunch looms, analyst says](#)

2.1.6 November

Financial Post – [Instead of pipelines, build refineries here](#)

Financial Post – [Keystone, Northern Gateway may alter global ‘crude trade outlook’](#)

Edmonton Journal – So, what's the alternative? Other options for shipping oil - link no longer available

Canada Newswire – [The Keystone pipeline delay shows Canada must diversify energy markets beyond the U.S., says Jim Prentice, P.C., Q.C., CIBC Vice Chairman](#)

Montreal Gazette – Sustainable oil sands may only be a pipe dream - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Pipeline projects ‘nation-building’ - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [From oil sands to gas pump: Alberta looks to its energy future](#)

Cambridge Strategies Inc. – [Keystone’s silver lining](#) (Policy Brief No. 5)

New America Media – [Tar Sands oil producers eye California](#)

Reuters – [Canada's Asian oil push not a slap to US–Minister](#)

Edmonton Journal – Oil sands execs demand pipeline reform - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Alberta study disputes oil sands corrosion claims - link no longer available

Alberta Innovates – Comparison of the corrosivity of dilbit and conventional crude - link no longer available

National Resources Defense Council – [Alberta Innovates report shows more study is needed to assess corrosivity of tar sands and Canadian heavy crude](#)

2.1.7 December

Huffington Post – [2011: The year of pipeline interruptus](#)

Canadian Business – Battles over West Coast, Texas oil pipelines reached heightened pitch in 2011 - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [Who needs pipelines, the Oil Bucket Brigade is ready](#)

Huffington Post Business – [How safe really are Canada's pipelines?](#)

National Energy Board – [Protecting Canadians and the environment](#)

Calgary Herald – New markets needed for Canadian heavy crude - link no longer available

Financial Post – [Why U.S. is still king for Canadian oil](#)

Canadian Business – More market access for oil sands crude should be Canadian priority - link no longer available

UofC School of Public Policy – [Catching the brass ring: Oil market diversification potential for Canada](#)

Huffington Post – [What does the Keystone pipeline have to do with the biggest brands in the world?](#)

The Province – Pipeline projects still clogged - link no longer available

2.2 2012 News – General

2.2.1 January

Edmonton Journal – Pipelines a 'second national dream' - link no longer available

The Star – [Keystone, Northern Gateway pipelines raise questions that need answers before approval](#)

Financial Post – [New U.S. study to probe corrosiveness of oil sands](#)

Pembina Institute – [Market access just one hurdle facing oil sands pipeline proponents](#)

Global News – [The fate of Alberta's oil sands](#)

Calgary Herald – Compromise all but gone in debate over pipelines - link no longer available
CBC News – [Canada imports oil while battling over pipeline exports](#)

2.2.2 February

Fort McMurray Today – [Alberta liberals in favour of pipelines](#)
Edmonton Journal – Alberta needs a lot of oil outlets: Liepert - link no longer available
Calgary Herald – [Alberta's oil sands as a Canadian resource](#)
Edmonton Journal – Cenovus ships first crude oil to China - link no longer available

2.2.3 March

Calgary Herald – Pipeline regulations need reform - link no longer available
Calgary Herald – Federal Tories can't plug every pipeline threat - link no longer available
Reuters AlertNet – [Canada to slim environmental tests for big projects](#)

2.2.4 April

InsideClimate News – [The tar sands pipeline boom](#)

2.2.5 May

Financial Post – [Pipeline delays won't slow China investment in oil sands](#)
Economist – [The great pipeline battle](#)
Edmonton Journal – Alberta upgraders an option if pipelines blocked, analyst says - link no longer available

2.2.6 June

Petroleum News – [Energy corridor needed](#)
Calgary Herald – Time for Ottawa to set course on pipelines - link no longer available
Financial Post – [Canadian pipelines targeted by U.S. funds](#)
Energy Collective – [Infrastructure obstacles in North American oil development](#)
Alberta Oil – [Oil sands exports to China depend on more than pipelines](#)

2.2.7 August

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge latest victim of anti-oil sands campaign - link no longer available
Edmonton Journal – Portage College launched Western Canada's first pipeline safety program - link no longer available
Oil and Gas Journal – [CERI: Oil sands growth would continue without pipelines](#)

2.2.8 September

Alberta Oil – [New pipelines needed to hit oil sands growth targets: CIBC](#)

Vancouver Sun – Oil sands pipeline development was 'top of mind' in budget bill - link no longer available

2.2.9 October

Financial Post – [Oil sands producers fighting for pipeline space](#)

Calgary Herald – New oil sands pipelines would improve Canada's energy security risk: U.S. Chamber - link no longer available

Alberta Primetime – [Pipeline Employment Potential?](#) (video)

2.2.10 November

Edmonton Journal – Opening up the pipelines of communication - link no longer available

CTV News – [Redford says Alberta's pipelines offer new energy opportunities for Canada](#)

Edmonton Journal – North American opts out of pipeline business - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [Study eats into oil-sands opponents' corrosion claims](#)

Financial Post – [Oil sands producers could feel squeeze as pipeline capacity tightens](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Pipeline official worries about impact of delays](#)

Calgary Herald – [Canada's reputation as energy source at risk over pipeline delays, industry spokesman warns](#)

Edmonton Journal – Lack of market access for Alberta bitumen contributes to ballooning deficit: Horner - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Oil sands success, pipeline failures prove costly - link no longer available

BNN – [Canada's Pipelines: Beyond Gateway and Keystone](#) (video)

Globe and Mail – [Canada's Pipelines: Beyond Gateway and Keystone](#) (video)

2.2.11 December

Raise the Hammer – [Pipeline politics and Canada's petro-state reality](#)

Financial Post – [Oil industry faced with 'serious challenge' as pipelines fill up, TD warns](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Top story #5 in 2012: Pipelines](#)

2.3 2013 News – General

2.3.1 January

Star Phoenix – Oliver says oil pipeline capacity a concern - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Poles apart on pipelines - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – [Pipelines would deliver more oil, but not all answers](#)

Edmonton Journal – Cenovus CEO: pipeline squeeze means Canadians 'subsidize' U.S. energy consumers

Calgary Herald – [Hughes knows there's more than one way to ship Alberta oil](#)

Edmonton Journal – \$15B Enbridge pipeline network aims to move one million barrels of oil to market - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – [Pipeline debate: 'There is no more critical issue'](#)

2.3.2 February

Financial Post – [Stalled pipeline projects costing Canada \\$30M-\\$70M a day, new report suggests](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Bottleneck costing \\$70m daily: report](#)

Sun News – [Oil sands bitumen no more corrosive on pipelines than regular crude](#)

Toronto Sun – [Bitumen: Safe for Pipes](#) (video)

2.3.3 March

Toronto Star – [Canada's pipeline preacher will not slow down](#)

Financial Post – [Pipeline economics: The dollars & cents of the energy export debate](#)

Alberta Primetime – [The Escalating War of Words Over Pipeline Support](#) (video)

CBC – [First Nations Condemn Pipelines](#) (video)

2.3.4 April

The StarPhoenix – Lack of pipeline capacity costing Canadian oil producers billions: report - link no longer available

Scientific American – [Does tar sand oil increase the risk of pipeline spills?](#)

Edmonton Journal – Pipeline rules bolstered, National Energy Board says - link no longer available

[National Energy Board Onshore Pipeline Regulations](#)

Calgary Herald – Pipeline opponents can't stop Big Oil - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Some pipelines exempted from federal reviews - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Harper government drops heavy oil processing from environmental review list - link no longer available

2.3.5 May

Globe and Mail – [With pipelines on hold, oil storage services boom](#)

Financial Post – [Pipeline plans tied to West’s growing clout](#)

2.3.6 June

Edmonton Journal – Oil sands pipeliner launches \$340M conversion - link no longer available

Washington Post – [Diluted oil sands crude no more likely to leak from pipeline than other oil, study finds](#)

NRDC Switchboard – [Diluted bitumen tar sands study answers the wrong question](#)

PHMSA report – [Effects of diluted bitumen on crude oil transmission lines](#)

Financial Post – [Keystone XL poses no greater risk of a spill: U.S. report](#)

2.3.7 July

Financial Post – [Suncor and other oil producers rebound on optimism that pipeline bottlenecks are beginning to ease](#)

2.3.8 August

Toronto Sun – [Redford on Pipeline Politics](#) (video)

2.3.9 October

Financial Post – [Canadians in favour of pipeline development: poll](#)

Sun News – [Oil sands production can be green, Canadian survey says](#)

2.3.10 November

Brampton Guardian – [Many from Brampton will protest tar sands expansion](#)

Baytoday.ca – [Area residents joining in the National Day of Action](#)

CBC News – [Climate change rallies staged across Canada](#)

Edmonton Journal – Protesters rally in Edmonton against expansion of oil sands - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [Alberta oil sands, pipeline projects protested in rallies across Canada](#)

CTV News – [Pipeline and tar sands protestors take to Saskatoon streets](#)

Montreal Gazette – Oka joins national protests against oil sands pipeline - link no longer available

Northumberland News – [Cobourg rally draws attention to pipeline dangers and oil sands expansion](#)

Guelph Mercury – [Demonstrators in Guelph join nationwide protest against oil sands, pipeline plans](#)

The News – [Maple Ridge protestors rally to defend climate](#)

Council of Canadians – [Prime Minister's Office 'sandbagged' to stop Harper's tar sands flood](#)

Edmonton Journal – Strong belief in oil industry's economic clout drives pipeline approval: poll - link no longer available

2.3.11 December

Toronto Star – [We deserve a say on oil sands development](#)

2.4 2014 News – General

2.4.1 January

The Record – [‘Greening’ the oil sands more than just a pipe dream](#)

2.4.2 April

Financial Post – [It’s time policymakers realize pipelines, not railcars, are the cheapest and safest way to ship oil](#)

Globe and Mail – [What if the oil pipelines had been built?](#)

Financial Post – [Cost of oil transported by pipelines up 60% in five years, NEB says](#)

National Energy Board – [Canadian Pipeline Transportation System Energy Market Assessment](#)

Toronto Star – [Harper’s vision of Canada as energy superpower thwarted by opposition to pipelines](#)

Toronto Sun – [Pipeline Blockade Training in Vancouver](#) (video)

2.4.3 May

Willms & Shier – [Mounting opposition by municipalities, Aboriginal communities and environmentalists threatens to halt pipeline development](#)

New York Times – [Rocky road for Canadian oil](#)

Edmonton Journal – [New rules hang spill costs on pipeline firms](#)

Financial Post – [Canada’s new pipeline safety rules widen firms’ oil spill liability to \\$1-billion](#)

Financial Post – [Canada moves to tighten marine oil spill plan as Gateway pipeline decision nears](#)

Toronto Sun – [Anti-pipeline groups want to slay golden goose](#)

2.4.4 June

Toronto Star – [Energy Wars: Pipelines define environmental struggle](#)

Globe and Mail – [Husky Energy signs on to four proposed pipelines](#)

Financial Post – [Keystone, Northern Gateway pipeline pressure mounts as oil bottleneck costs economy \\$50-million a day](#)

Edmonton Journal – [McIver, Prentice exchange pipeline jobs](#)

Bloomberg TV – [Canada's Oliver on Keystone XL Pipeline and economy](#) (video)

2.4.5 August

CityNews – [Trudeau blasts Harper for bungling pipelines needed by Alberta, PM's home turf](#)

2.4.6 October

Globe and Mail – [Plunging oil prices a game-changer for major pipeline projects](#)

Financial Post – [Beyond Energy East: The great push to get Alberta's crude to market](#)

Edmonton Journal – [New energy minister tackles pipeline questions](#)

2.4.7 November

Financial Post – [‘Scabs on our lives’: Neil Young slams oil sands pipeline plans – again](#)

Fort McMurray Today – [Neil Young defends previous Fort McMurray comments](#)

Calgary Herald – [Yedlin: Canada deserves meaningful dialogue on pipelines](#)

2.4.8 December

Financial Post – [Improving safety mainstay of pipeline industry](#)

Financial Post – [Canadians' future 'hangs in the balance' in pipeline debate: Alberta premier](#)

Financial Post – [Energy regulators band together to get pipelines built faster](#)

Financial Post – [Missing the big picture: Pipelines create jobs, but what they really do is boost the economy](#)

Globe and Mail – [Enough with pipelines. Refine it](#)

3 ALBERTA PIPELINES

3.1 2011 News – Alberta Pipelines

3.1.1 September

Edmonton Journal – [Enbridge to twin oil sands pipeline](#)

3.2 2012 News – Alberta Pipelines

3.2.1 January

Winnipeg Free Press – Keyera, Enbridge to collaborate on delivery of solvents to Alberta oil sands - link no longer available

The Record – [Keyera Corp proposes diluent pipeline to feed oil sands](#)

3.2.2 April

Edmonton Journal – \$1B Access bitumen pipeline follows path of no resistance - link no longer available

3.2.3 July

Reuters – [Inter Pipeline plans C\\$2.1 oil sands pipe expansions](#)

Global News – Inter Pipeline plans \$2.1B expansion for Cold Lake, Polaris pipeline systems – link no longer available

3.2.4 August

Market Watch – [TransCanada to build oil-sands pipeline](#)

Canadian Business – TransCanada to build \$660-million pipeline for Fort Hills oil sands mine - link no longer available

Montreal Gazette – TransCanada plans \$660-million pipeline in northern Alberta - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – TransCanada set for new pipeline - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Polaris pipeline starts serving Kearl - link no longer available

Canadian Press – Alberta energy watchdog approves Enbridge oil sands pipeline project - link no longer available

3.2.5 September

StreetInsider – Enbridge receives regulatory approval for Woodland Pipeline Extension - link no longer available

3.2.6 October

Tank Storage – [Enbridge to expand Athabasca Terminal](#)

Bloomberg – [TransCanada plans \\$3 billion pipeline with PetroChina](#)

Edmonton Journal – TransCanada, Chinese-owned Phoenix Energy partner up to build oil sands pipeline - link no longer available

UPI – [TransCanada weighs new oil sands pipeline](#)

3.2.7 November

Edmonton Journal – [Enbridge plans \\$1.8-billion pipeline from Edmonton to Hardisty](#)

3.3 2013 News – Alberta Pipelines

3.3.1 January

Edmonton Journal – Kinder Morgan expanding its Edmonton oil hub, again - Link no longer available

3.3.2 February

Beacon News – [Canadian oil sands pipelines – Inter Pipeline spends \\$1.4 billion](#)

3.3.3 March

Edmonton Journal – Former Enbridge CEO Pat Daniel honoured as Canadian Business Leader - Link no longer available

Market Wire – [Enbridge to invest \\$0.2 billion to connect ninth oil sands project](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge to transport oil from Athabasca's Hangingstone oil sands project - link no longer available

PennEnergy – [Inter Pipeline Fund announces transportation agreement for oil sands development](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Inter Pipeline gets oil sands producers' commitment for \\$2.6-billion expansion](#)

3.3.4 June

Reuters – [Enbridge shuts oil sands pipelines after synthetic crude spill](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge grapples with pipeline shutdown, weekend spill in northern Alberta - link no longer available

Reuters – [Enbridge reopens part of Alberta oil pipeline after leak](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge, Penn West working on pipeline spills - link no longer available

Reuters – [Nexen cuts Long Lake oil sands production after Enbridge spill](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Enbridge restarts Wood Buffalo pipeline closed following Alberta flooding](#)

Enbridge Press Release – [Enbridge Restarts Athabasca Pipeline; Provides Update on Regional Oil Sands System Status - Calgary, Alberta, July 1, 2013](#)

3.3.5 July

Edmonton Journal – Suncor oil sands production fully restored following restart of Enbridge pipeline - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge going ahead with plan to extend Woodland oil sands pipeline - link no longer available

Alberta Oil – [Enbridge to build new \\$1.3 billion pipeline to serve Imperial Oil's Kearl oil sands project](#)

3.3.6 August

Alberta Energy Regulator – [Regulating Alberta's Pipelines](#) (video)

3.3.7 September

Winnipeg Free Press – Enbridge plans 50-kilometre pipeline to serve Hangingstone oil sands project - link no longer available

3.3.8 October

Calgary Herald – Enbridge plans new \$1 billion pipeline in northern Alberta - link no longer available

Financial Post – [TransCanada gas pipeline rupture cuts oil sands production](#)

Edmonton Journal – TransCanada shuts down pipeline after natural gas leak detected near Fort McMurray - link no longer available

3.3.9 November

Journal of Commerce – [\\$1.4 billion diluent pipeline could service multiple oil sands producers](#)

3.4 2014 News – Alberta Pipelines

3.4.1 January

Huffington Post – [Enbridge pipeline from Edmonton to Hardisty gets National Energy Board nod](#)

National Energy Board News Release – [NEB recommends approving Enbridge's Edmonton to Hardisty Pipeline Project](#)

National Energy Board – [Report](#)

3.4.2 April

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge gets approval for Edmonton-to-Hardisty pipeline - Link no longer available

3.4.3 May

Oil & Gas Journal – [Keyera takes stake in Enbridge Athabasca diluent line](#)

3.4.4 June

Edmonton Journal – [Bitumen pipeline would bring 900,000 barrels a day to Edmonton area](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Pipeline route raises questions for landowners, businesses](#)

3.4.5 July

Edmonton Journal – [Pipeline hits route snags](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Alberta landowner concerned with PetroChina’s involvement in Grand Rapids pipeline](#)

Globe and Mail – [In the heart of the oil sands, a new fight over pipelines](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Athabasca Chipewyan abruptly pull out of Grand Rapids pipeline hearing](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Landowner objects to TransCanada’s confidentiality agreement](#)

Alberta Primetime – [Grand Rapids Pipeline Stalls](#) (video)

Toronto Sun – [Grand Rapids Pipeline Project](#) (video)

Reuters – [Inter Pipeline says new diluent line to oil sands in service](#)

Calgary Herald – [TransCanada: Northern Courier oilsands pipeline gets green light from regulator](#)

3.4.6 August

BNN – [Inter Pipeline thrives outside of Keystone glare](#)

3.4.7 October

Edmonton Journal – [Pembina Pipelines building diluent hub in Industrial Heartland](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Huge Grand Rapids pipeline to Edmonton area OK’d](#)

Global Edmonton – [Alberta Energy Regulator approves pipeline from oil sands to Edmonton](#)

Reuters – [Regulators approve TransCanada's 900,000 bpd oil sands pipeline](#)

4 PIPELINES WEST

Enbridge’s Northern Gateway project received the majority of attention in this section but once Kinder Morgan’s TransMountain expansion project was announced it too drew attention.

Figure 3 shows the number of headlines each month about pipelines heading west. There were 732 headlines over the reporting period.

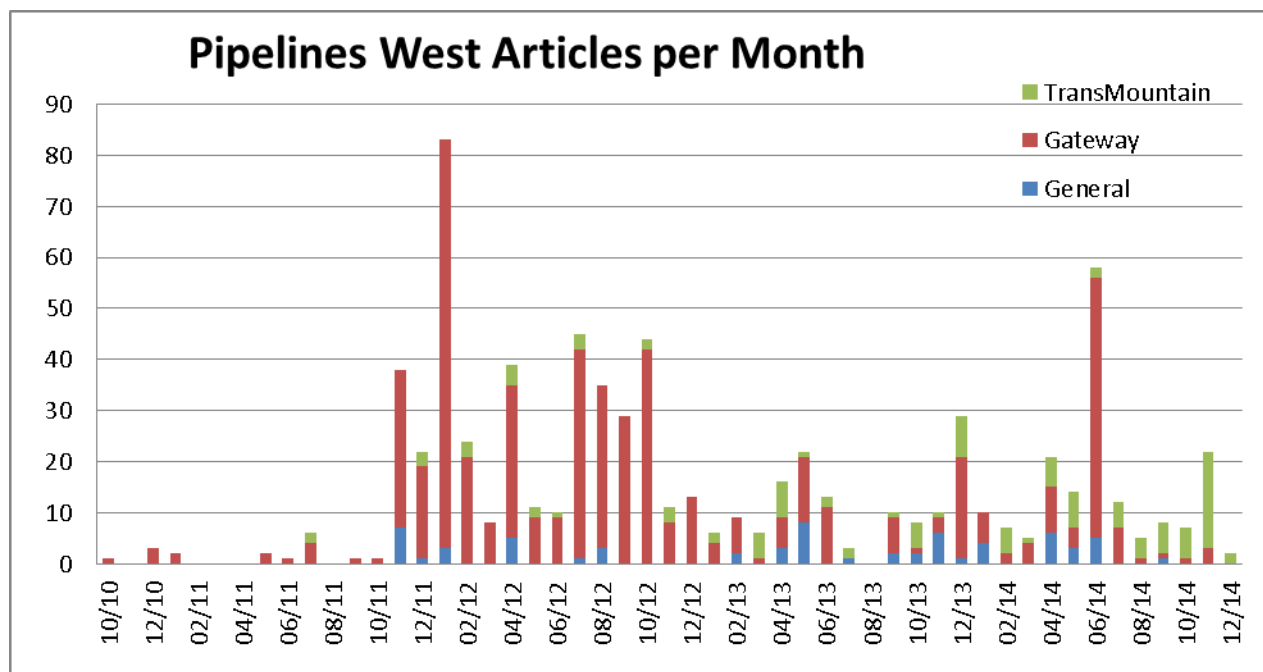


Figure 3. Number of headlines each month about pipelines heading west.

Milestone events:

January 2012 – Gateway hearings and accusations around ENGO funding

October 2012 – Gateway hearings and protests

December 2013 – TransMountain files application

June 2014 – federal government Gateway decision

November 2014 – TransMountain Burnaby protests

4.1 General

4.1.1 2011 News – Pipelines West General

4.1.1.1 November

Calgary Herald – B.C. becomes ground zero in pipeline debate - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Alison Redford urges Canada focus on oil exports to Asia - link no longer available

Bellingham Herald – Pipeline to Texas beats oil tankers in Strait of Juan de Fuca - link no longer available

Vancouver Sun – Obstacles could delay pipeline: Carney - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Canada a junior player in huge Asian energy market - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [TransCanada pours cold water on rivals' plans to ship to Asia](#)

Edmonton Journal – Canada seeks oil sales to Asia - link no longer available

4.1.1.2 December

Globe and Mail – [Blocking pipelines to B.C. would entail loss of billions](#)

4.1.2 2012 News – *Pipelines West General*

4.1.2.1 January

Edmonton Journal – Alberta must improve links with energy-hungry China - link no longer available

Calgary Herald – Alberta urged to plan for Chinese market - link no longer available

National Post – [Scrutinizing Canada's pipeline to Beijing](#)

4.1.2.2 April

Star – [Canada will send oil to Asia even if Keystone XL pipeline proceeds, Harper says](#)

Wall Street Journal – [Canada determined to move oil sands crude](#)

CBC News – [Stephen Harper takes oil sands message to American audience](#)

Vancouver Sun – Harper push for pipelines likely to backfire - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [Imperial not backing Northern Gateway, Trans Mountain - yet](#)

4.1.2.3 July

North Shore News – [Crude awakening](#)

4.1.2.4 August

Edmonton Journal – West Coast refinery proposal puts pipeline debate in new light - link no longer available

City News Toronto – [Oil sands pipelines fuel refinery debate](#)

Toronto Sun – [BC to Benefit Most from Pipeline](#) (video)

4.1.3 2013 News – *Pipelines West General*

4.1.3.1 February

Financial Post – [Oil pipeline to Pacific coast needed soon or 'bitumen bubble' could become permanent: report](#)

Huffington Post – [University of Calgary report warns time running out for Canadian oil producers](#)

4.1.3.2 April

Vicnews – [Documentary takes bites out of big issue](#)

Toronto Sun – [BC NDP Leader Adrian Dix Talks Pipeline](#) (video)

Toronto Sun – [Dix Says No To Tanker Traffic](#) (video)

4.1.3.3 May

Calgary Herald – Alberta's oilpatch in B.C. poll crosshairs - link no longer available

Bloomberg – [British Columbia vote risks oil-sands exports](#)

Edmonton Journal – West Coast oil pipelines still face hurdles after Liberals' B.C. election win - link no longer available

Vancouver Sun – Even opponents think oil deal more likely now - link no longer available

Sun News – [OK for oil sands pipeline looks positive](#)

Beacon News – [Christy Clark ready to deal with Redford over oil pipeline projects](#)

The StarPhoenix – Supertanker terminals worry British Columbians - link no longer available

Financial Post – [Western premiers renewing push for Northern Gateway, Trans Mountain pipelines](#)

4.1.3.4 July

Edmonton Journal – Alberta, B.C. agree to seek common ground on energy exports

4.1.3.5 September

Vancouver Sun – [Fear of native opposition to B.C. pipelines behind blitz of top officials](#)

CTV News – [B.C. unprepared for oil spills, environment ministry officials say](#)

4.1.3.6 October

Ottawa Citizen – Support for pipelines on the rise in B.C., industry minister says - link no longer available

Financial Post – [Enbridge's Northern Gateway stands least chance of approval among proposed pipelines, analysts say](#)

APTN – [Rallies Against Tar Sands Oil all Over the Country on the Weekend](#) (video)

4.1.3.7 November

Reuters – [Alberta, B.C. closer to pipeline deal; hurdles remain](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge CEO lauds Alberta-B.C. pipeline deal, working on updating price tag - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – What’s really behind the premiers’ ‘framework agreement’ on pipeline - link no longer available

Financial Post – [B.C., Alberta deal on Northern Gateway pipeline marks ‘huge breakthrough’](#)

CBC – [B.C. and Alberta Reach Agreement on Pipelines](#) (video)

4.1.3.8 December

Globe and Mail – [Northern Gateway and Trans Mountain: how two pipeline projects compare](#)

4.1.4 2014 News – Pipelines West General

4.1.4.1 January

Edmonton Journal – [Oil sands and water: report calls for more research on effects of spill](#)

Canadian Manufacturing – [U.S. study warns of risks, unknowns in shipping oil sands products](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Alberta, B.C. promise energy partnership to smooth differences, clean oil spills](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Vaughn Palmer: With infrastructure as the carrot, an oil pipeline consensus emerges](#)

4.1.4.2 April

Huffington Post – [Northern Gateway alternative pitched by Canucks owners, Calvin Helin](#)

Financial Post – [First Nations proposes Northern Gateway pipeline alternative following plebiscite setback](#)

Edmonton Journal – [First Nations mull own pipeline bid](#)

Sun News – [Baird confident pipelines will be built](#)

Times Colonist – [U.S. agency has concerns about B.C. pipeline plans, oil sands products](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Courting the dragon](#)

4.1.4.3 May

National Post – [United Nations report backs First Nations against pipeline megaprojects](#)

Financial Post – [First Nation plan to build \\$50-billion oil pipeline needs more than social licence](#)

Financial Post – [‘This is your pipeline’: Eagle Spirit plan is in Canada’s best interests, aboriginal leader says](#)

4.1.4.4 June

Financial Post – [Vancouver Canucks owner Aquilini Investment Group seeks to expand its empire to oil pipelines](#)

Vancouver Sun – [Opinion: Pipeline fear factor is inappropriate](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Prentice pledges B.C. pipeline partnership](#)

Financial Post – [Even without Northern Gateway pipeline, Canada could still get its oil to China: IEA](#)

Globe and Mail – [Oil sands oil should cross the ocean, but from where exactly?](#)

4.1.4.5 September

Edmonton Journal – [Look at alternatives to Kitimat as end point to Northern Gateway, Prentice says](#)

4.2 Enbridge Northern Gateway

4.2.1 2010 News – *Enbridge Northern Gateway*

4.2.1.1 October

Toronto Sun - [Nationwide protests against pipeline](#)

4.2.1.2 December

Aboriginal Canadian communities join forces to oppose oil sands pipeline – Edmonton Journal – link no longer available

Gant Daily – [Aboriginal Canadian communities join forces to oppose oil sands pipeline](#)

Inside Climate News – [Cancun protesters target Canada, U.S. over oil sands pipelines](#)

4.2.2 2011 News – *Enbridge Northern Gateway*

4.2.2.1 January

Globe and Mail – [The Big Pipe: Enbridge's plan to connect the oil sands and China divides locals](#)

Canada Environmental Assessment Agency – [Joint Review Panel for Enbridge Northern Gateway Project releases Panel Session Results and Decision](#)

4.2.2.2 May

Edmonton Journal – Natives unite against B.C. pipeline - link no longer available

Canada.com – No real need for pipeline between oil sands and West Coast: Bureaucrat - link no longer available

4.2.2.3 June

Edmonton Journal – Get behind pipeline, feds urged - link no longer available

4.2.2.4 July

Edmonton Journal – Pipeline too risky for First Nations - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – National Geographic puts pipeline plan under scrutiny - link no longer available

CBC News – [National Geographic calls Northern Gateway a pipeline through paradise](#)
[National Geographic article](#)

4.2.2.5 September

Globe and Mail – [Enbridge's push to the Pacific wins support from China](#)

4.2.2.6 October

Edmonton Journal – Record number speakers to flood Northern Gateway hearings - link no longer available

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Enbridge's Line 9B reversal application and TransCanada's proposed Energy East line are chronicled here.

Figure 4 shows the number of headlines each month about pipelines heading east. There were 289 headlines over the reporting period.

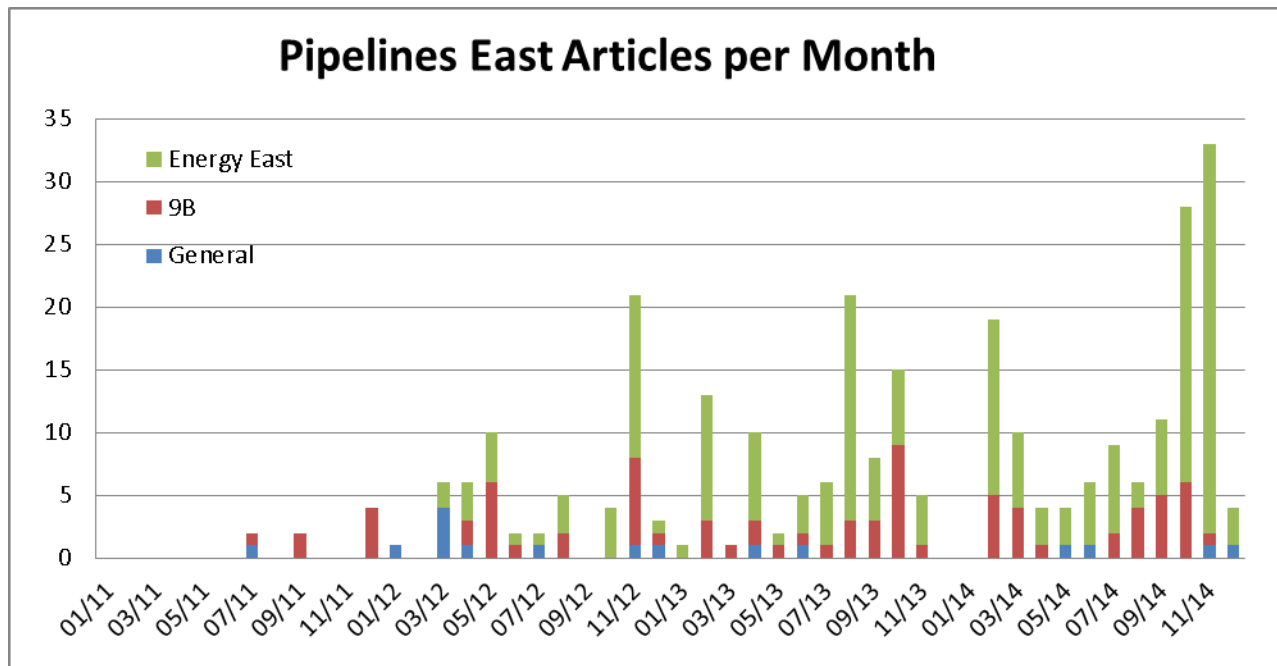


Figure 4. Number of headlines each month about pipelines heading east.

Milestone events:

November 2012 – Energy East pipeline concept raised

August 2013 – formal announcement of Energy East

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Toronto Sun – [Truth About Pipeline Protests](#) (video)

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5.2.3.7 August

Financial Post – [Environmental concerns must be addressed in Enbridge pipeline reversal plan](#)

Toronto Star – [Harper government unfairly limits public input on Enbridge pipeline](#)

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APTN – [Kahnawake Mohawks Say More Environmental Protection Needed for Enbridge Pipeline](#) (video)

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Toronto Star – [Enbridge pipeline: Legal challenge over new rules moving forward](#)

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Portland Press Herald – [Canada decision may bring tar sands oil closer to Maine](#)

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Platts – [Enbridge to start filling reversed 9B pipeline with crude Nov. 1](#)

Inside Toronto – [List of council candidates opposed to Line 9 shipping bitumen oil through Toronto released](#)

Global – [Montreal Mayor Weighs in on Line 9](#) (video)

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Montreal Gazette – [Montreal protesters arrested and charged in Enbridge protest](#)

CTV News – [Activists lock themselves to fence to protest pipeline reversal](#)

CBC – [Enbridge Line 9B pipeline delayed by NEB over major water body concerns](#)

Michigan Live – [Environmental concerns trip up Enbridge oil pipeline project in Ontario](#)
Financial Post – [Enbridge stands ground, tells National Energy Board that Line 9 design is safe](#)
Toronto Sun – [Line 9 Pipeline Delayed](#) (video)

5.2.4.8 November

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Globe and Mail – [TransCanada looks east as Gateway pipeline gets bogged down](#)
The Chronicle Herald – [Pipeline to Maritimes not just a pipe dream](#)

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Edmonton Journal – Redford wants 'dialogue' with Quebec over roadblocks to Alberta oil - link no longer available

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Huffington Post – [New Brunswick Premier David Alward to tour Alberta oil sands](#)

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Toronto Star – [TransCanada says East Coast pipeline will cut oil sands' price gap](#)

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5.3.2.4 May

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Globe and Mail – [Ontario must stand ground on pipeline projects, report says](#)

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Toronto Sun – [New Brunswick Premier Bolsters Pipeline](#) (video)

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Kenora Online – [Energy East Pipeline brought up in council](#)

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Report – [Economics of Transporting and Processing Tar Sands Crudes in Quebec](#)

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Ottawa Citizen – [Ecology Ottawa organizes info session against Energy East pipeline](#)

Globe and Mail – [If Alberta oil heads east, benefits for Ontario are hard to see](#)

Edmonton Journal – [TransCanada says town free to comment](#)

Huffington Post – [TransCanada 'gag order' preventing Mattawa from talking about pipeline rejected](#)

Financial Post – ['We are ready': TransCanada expects to file for Energy East pipeline permit by August](#)

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Herald News – [Protesters target Justin Trudeau in Chester](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Energy East pipeline would put waterways at risk, says Council of Canadians](#)

5.3.3.8 September

National Geographic – [Energy East pipeline: Putting eastern Canada's natural heritage at risk](#)

Ottawa Star – Energy East pipeline: What does it mean for Ottawa? Ecology Ottawa hosts information session for Vanier residents - link no longer available

CBC – [Energy East pipeline exploratory drilling to begin in Cacouna, Que.](#)

CBC – [TransCanada work on St. Lawrence port suspended by Quebec court order](#)

Financial Post – ['We are in the midst of a climate crisis': New Brunswick Green Party leader set for Energy East fight](#)

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Vancouver Observer – [Energy East to ignite pan-Canadian battle over Alberta's oil sands](#)

Financial Post – [Gaz Metro leads opposition to TransCanada's Energy East project](#)

Toronto Sun – [Energy East in Jeopardy?](#) (video)

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CBC – [Energy East](#) (audio)

CBC – [TransCanada Files Application For Energy East Pipeline](#) (audio)

CBC – [Deborah Yedlin on Energy East](#) (audio)

5.3.3.10 November

Bangor Daily News – [Conservation groups fret about proposed Canadian oil pipeline's impact on St. John Valley](#)

Huffington Post – [Energy East is a climate test for Mulcair, May and Trudeau](#)

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Pembina – [Pembina reacts to Quebec's climate resolution on Energy East](#)

Financial Post – [TransCanada urged by top U.S. PR firm to launch 'smear campaign' against opponents of Energy East pipeline](#)

Financial Post – [TransCanada Corp faces new hurdle as Quebec imposes seven conditions on Energy East pipeline](#)

Financial Post – [By erecting new hurdles for Energy East, Quebec is caving to pipeline opponents](#)

Globe and Mail – [Prentice, Ottawa to press Wynne, Couillard on Energy East](#)

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Huffington Post – [Why Energy East will fail the Quebec and Ontario climate test](#)

CBC – [Energy East, Alberta's Jim Prentice goes pipeline wooing](#)

Edmonton Journal – ['We can do business:' Prentice to discuss Energy East with Ontario and Quebec](#)

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Edmonton Journal – [Beluga concerns cause TransCanada to halt work in Quebec](#)

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Edmonton Journal – [Energy East is good for all of Canada](#)

Edmonton Journal – [Ontario narrows its environmental concerns about Energy East pipeline project](#)

Toronto Star – [Don't expect Kathleen Wynne to block Energy East pipeline: Walkom](#)

Winnipeg Sun – [Local groups oppose Energy East pipeline](#)

The Coast – [Over a barrel, from Alberta to New Brunswick](#)

Pembina – [Oil sands expansion, emissions and the Energy East pipeline](#)

Toronto Star – [Include climate change when assessing pipeline projects, groups urge](#)

CBC – [Ontario Communities Split on Energy East Pipeline](#) (video)

CBC – [Energy East Meeting Follows Day of Accusations](#) (video)

5.3.3.11 December

Toronto Sun – [Prentice, Wynne Talk Energy East](#) (video)

Toronto Sun – [East Energy Pipeline "Conditions"](#) (video)

CBC – [Stumping for Energy East](#) (video)

6 PIPELINES NORTH

As desperation set in that the more attractive west, south and east routes may not proceed a northern route was (fleetinglly) discussed.

6.1 2012 News

September 2012 – Alaska Dispatch – [Northwest Territories premier pushes for oil sands pipeline to Canada's Arctic coast](#)

October 2012 – Financial Post – [Oil producers eye Arctic backup plan as pipelines face uncertain future](#)

6.2 2013 News

February 2013 – Edmonton Journal – [NWT offers solution to pipeline bottleneck](#)

April 2013 – Edmonton Journal – Alberta wants to know if pipeline to Tuktoyaktuk is feasible - link no longer available

April 2013 – Financial Post – [Alberta exploring at least two oil pipeline projects to North](#)

April 2013 – CBC News – [Aboriginal leaders skeptical about possible oil sands pipeline](#)

April 2013 – Alaska Dispatch – [Alaska watches as Canada considers shipping tar sands oil across Arctic Ocean](#)

April 2013 – CBC – [Prospects for a Northbound Pipeline](#) (Radio)

April 2013 – APTN – [Alberta Considering Heading North with Oil](#) (video)

6.3 2014 News

September – Financial Post – [Report says Arctic route is ‘feasible’ option to get Alberta oil to overseas markets](#)

September – Financial Post – [Arctic route for Alberta oil could trump stalled B.C. pipeline projects](#)

September – Pipelines International – [Arctic pipeline and port feasible for oil sands development: Alberta Gov’t report](#)

September – Fort McMurray Today – [Arctic oil sands pipeline “feasible,” says Alberta study](#)

CBC – [Pipeline from oil sands to Arctic is feasible: Alberta study](#)

September – Winnipeg Free Press – [Washington hears of Plan B for exporting oil: an 'Arctic Gateway'](#)

September – CBC – [N.W.T. premier Bob McLeod promotes Arctic pipeline idea in Washington](#)

7 PIPELINES SOUTH

TransCanada’s Keystone XL application is highlighted in this section, along with the potential for a reversal of Portland Pipe Line’s Portland-Montreal line.

Figure 4 shows the number of headlines each month about pipelines heading south. There were 1,223 headlines over the reporting period.

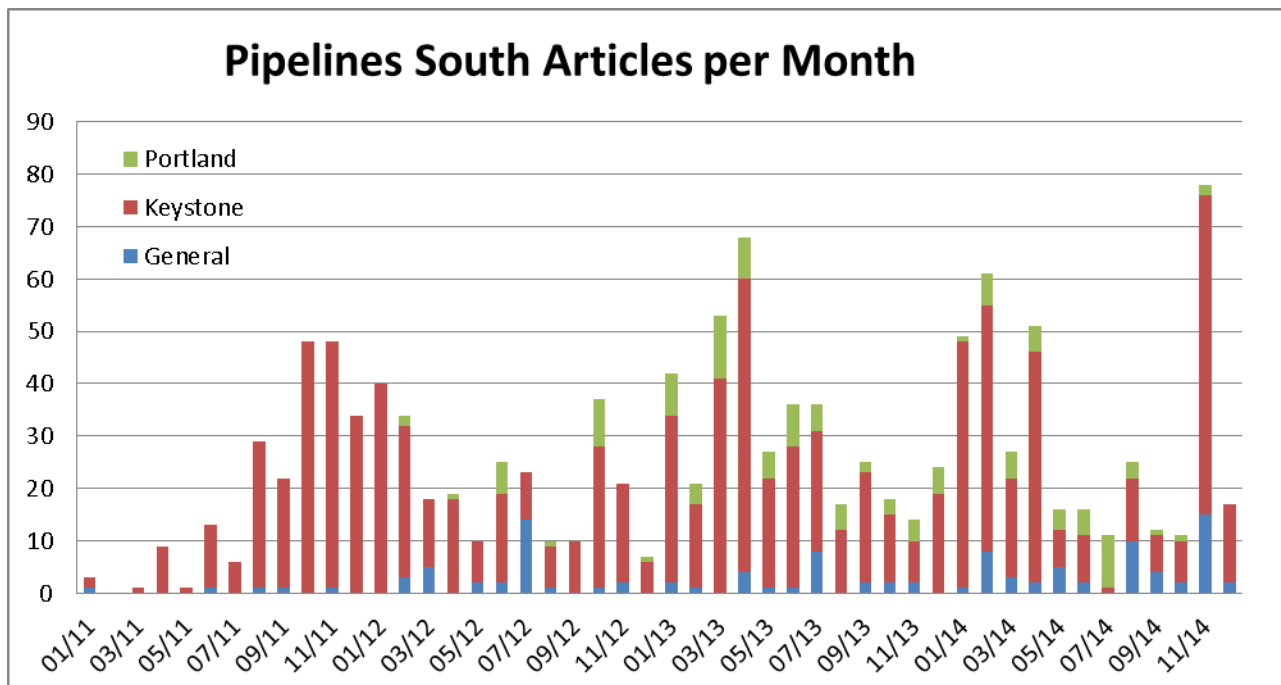


Figure 5. Number of headlines each month about pipelines heading south.

Milestone events:

October 2011 – Concerns about State Department Keystone reviewers

November 2011 – Keystone delayed

January 2013 – Obama re-elected; pressure from Senate for a decision

March/April 2013 – Communities in Maine vote against reversal of Portland Montreal line

April 2013 – various anti-Keystone messages come out

January 2014 – State Department Keystone assessment report

February 2014 – Nebraska court ruling and White House protests

July 2014 – South Portland., Maine, votes against tar sands exports

October 2014 – Keystone defeated in Senate by 1 vote

7.1 General

7.1.1 2011 News – Pipelines South General

7.1.1.1 January

Calgary Herald – Coalition urges President to block oil sands pipelines – link no longer available

7.1.1.2 June

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge talking to shippers on Gulf Coast expansion - link no longer available

7.1.1.3 August

Calgary Herald – TransCanada opens bids for Cushing link - link no longer available

7.1.1.4 September

Globe and Mail – [Enbridge joins forces to compete against Keystone XL pipeline](#)

7.1.1.5 November

Calgary Herald – Canadian pipeline firms Enbridge, TransCanada sprint to end U.S. oil glut - link no longer available

7.1.2 2012 News – Pipelines South General

7.1.2.1 February

Energy and Environment – [IRS exempts most oil sands crude from spill cleanup tax](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge to expand main line to supply U.S. Gulf - link no longer available

Kera News – [Existing pipeline near DFW may transport tar sands oil](#)

7.1.2.2 March

Washington Post – Enbridge to spend \$3.8 billion on pipeline work to take oil sands crude to US Gulf - link no longer available

Globe and Mail – [Rush to build pipelines aimed at breaking crude logjam](#)

Bloomberg – [Enbridge pipelines to ease crude logjam](#)

Financial Post – [New risk spurs oil sands pipeline push](#)

Financial Post – [Canada's 'Cushing moment': A northern pipeline crisis looms](#)

7.1.2.3 May

Journal Sentinel – [Enbridge \\$400 million project would expand oil flow through state](#)

CNN – [Keystone isn't the only pipeline](#)

7.1.2.4 June

San Francisco Chronicle – [Tar sands pipelines are even worse than you think](#)

Michigan Radio – [More tar sands oil in Michigan pipeline?](#)

7.1.2.5 July

Calgary Herald – Enbridge hit with \$3.7M fine for 2010 Michigan oil spill - link no longer available

Huffington Post – [Pipeline regulators cite two dozen safety violations by Enbridge in Kalamazoo tar sands spill](#)

Star Tribune – [Record fine for Michigan oil spill](#)

Financial Post – [Oil sands 'landlocked' due to environmental concerns and market bottlenecks](#)

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge acted like 'Keystone Kops': official - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – U.S. oil spill aftermath: 'Multiple mistakes and missteps made by Enbridge' - link no longer available

Vancouver Observer – Enbridge slammed for "Keystone Cop" response to Michigan oil spill - link no longer available

Financial Post – [Enbridge's sloppy Michigan spill response shows oil sands' ugly side](#)

Edmonton Journal – Report on Enbridge damning - link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge president defends pipeline industry in wake of U.S. report - link no longer available

Financial Post – [Enbridge brand can be repaired: analysts](#)

Calgary Herald – Enbridge CEO acknowledges 'Keystone Kops' remark may hurt Canadian support for Northern Gateway route - link no longer available

Wall Street Journal – Groups protest tar sands oil on spill anniversary - link no longer available
Battle Creek Enquirer – [Two years later at the Kalamazoo River](#)

7.1.2.6 August

The Dickinson Press – [Bakken crude, Canadian oil sands battle for pipeline space](#)

7.1.2.7 October

The Hill – [Canadian oil company ordered by EPA to intensify river cleanup](#)

7.1.2.8 November

Bloomberg – [Rice's holdings in oil sands pipeline may pose conflict](#)

Edmonton Journal – [U.S. diplomat being tarred with oil sands brush](#)

7.1.3 2013 News – Pipelines South General

7.1.3.1 January

Calgary Herald – Update: Enbridge plans U.S. oil export expansion - Link no longer available

Edmonton Journal – Pipelines to U.S. gulf coast seen as panacea for slumping Alberta oil prices - Link no longer available

7.1.3.2 February

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge, Texan partner to convert pipeline for oil - Link no longer available

7.1.3.3 April

Winnipeg Free Press – Enbridge seeks State Department approval to pipe more Canadian tar sands oil to Superior - link no longer available

Current – Two tar sands oil spills in U.S. this week - link no longer available

Superior Telegram – Coalition aims to end tar sands pipelines in Great Lakes region - link no longer available

Bloomberg – [Keystone-like fight looms in Enbridge's plan to double oil flow](#)

7.1.3.4 May

Mondaq (Barnes & Thornburg) – [Environmental groups petition for sweeping new pipeline rules for diluted bitumen](#)

7.1.3.5 June

Journal Sentinel – [Wisconsin waters threatened by tar sands crude oil expansion](#)

7.1.3.6 July

Edmonton Journal – Enbridge seeks swift approval of 965-km Midwest oil pipeline - link no longer available

Enbridge – [Flanagan South Pipeline](#)

Journal Gazette – [Canadian company wants to fast track approval for 600-mile tar sands oil pipeline in Midwest](#)

Kansas City Star – Minn. regulators OK proposed pipeline expansion - link no longer available

PRI Public Radio International – Canadian oil company seeks to expand pipelines other than Keystone XL - link no longer available

Battle Creek Enquirer – [Twelve arrested at Enbridge protest in Stockbridge](#)

6WLNS.com – [12 Enbridge protesters arrested in Stockbridge](#)

UPI.com – [Canadian tribes protest oil pipeline](#)

7.1.3.7 September

WAMC – [Environmental permitting affirmed for potential pipeline use](#)

Huffington Post – [First Nation riders protest Enbridge tar sands pipeline](#)

7.1.3.8 October

Montreal Gazette – Anti-oil sands posters showing up in Washington, D.C. - link no longer available

Canada.com – [Anti-oil sands posters showing up in Washington, D.C.](#)

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Reuters – [Spectra mulls expansion of its Canadian oil export pipeline](#)

Financial Post – [Kinder Morgan secures U.S. presidential permit to transport diluent](#)

7.1.4 2014 News – Pipelines South General

7.1.4.1 January

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8 RAILWAYS AS ALTERNATIVE TRANSPORTATION

With increasing bottlenecks developing due to pipeline constraints producers turned to railways as an alternative means of delivering bitumen to US refineries (Figure 6). Even trucks were considered as an alternative (Reuters.com – [Oil convoy blues: trucking game foils crude traders](#)).

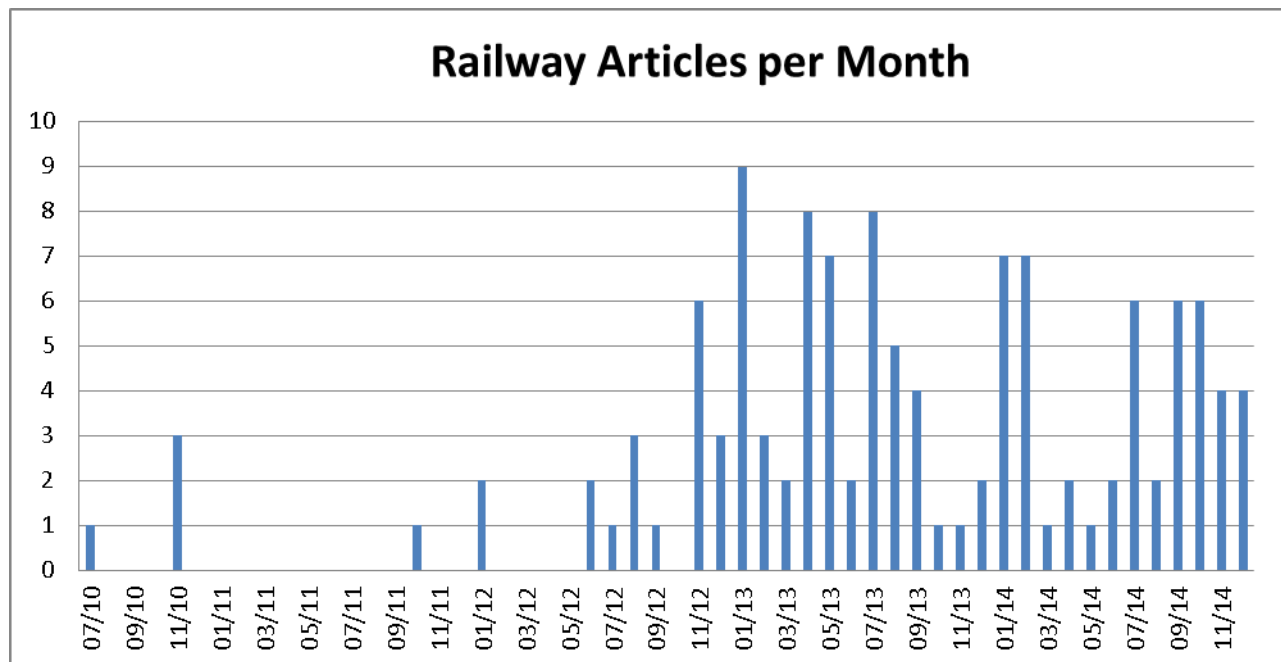


Figure 6. Number of headlines each month about railways as an alternative.

The potential to move oil sands in ships on the Great Lakes and off-shore also generated headlines:

Great Lakes

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Offshore

CBC – [First oil sands bitumen tanker arrives in Sorel-Tracy port](#)
Financial Post – [Western Canadian crude may be crossing the Atlantic soon as oil giants seek new buyers](#)
CBC – [Oil sands supertanker Genmar Daphne in St. Lawrence awaits new fire pump](#)
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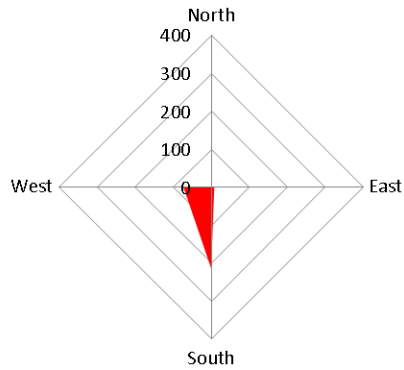
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CEO	Chief Executive Officer
CERI	Canadian Energy Research Institute
CN	Canadian National (Railway)
CP	Canadian Pacific (Railway)
DFO	Department of Fisheries and Oceans
EIS	Environmental Impact Statement
ENGO	Environmental Non-Government Organization
EPA	(US) Environmental Protection Agency
GOP	Grand Old Party (US Republicans)
KXL	Keystone XL
LNG	Liquefied Natural Gas
MP	Member of Parliament
NAFTA	North American Free Trade Agreement
NDP	New Democratic Party
NEB	National Energy Board
NGO	Non-Government Organization
NWT	Northwest Territories
OSRIN	Oil Sands Research and Information Network
PM	Prime Minister
PR	Public Relations
SEE	School of Energy and the Environment
UN	United nations
U.S.	United States
Vt	Vermont

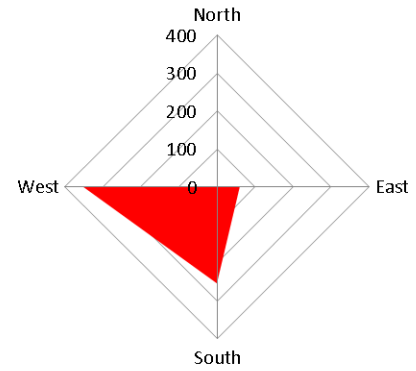
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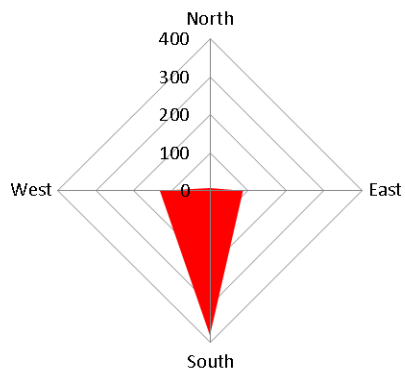
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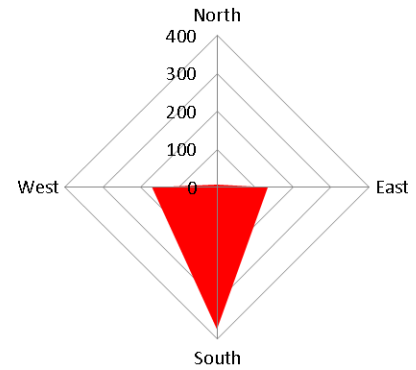
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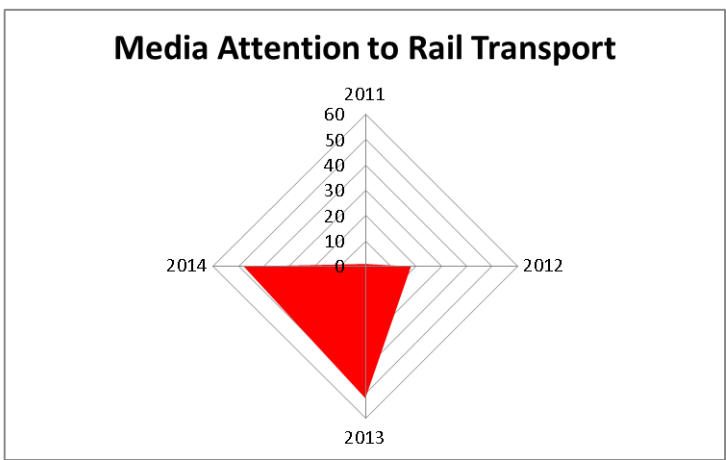
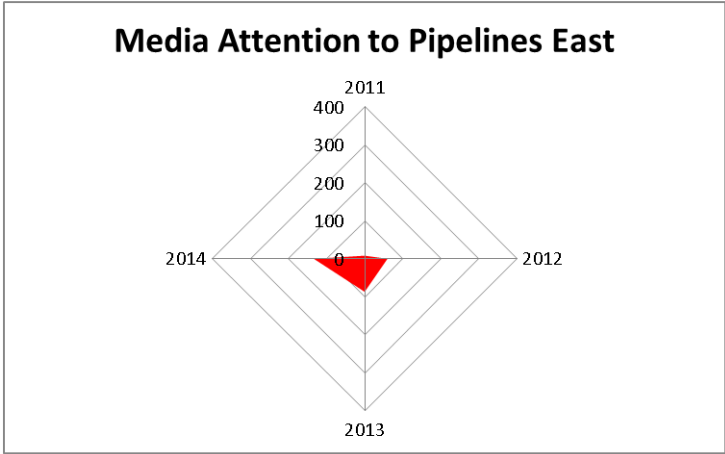
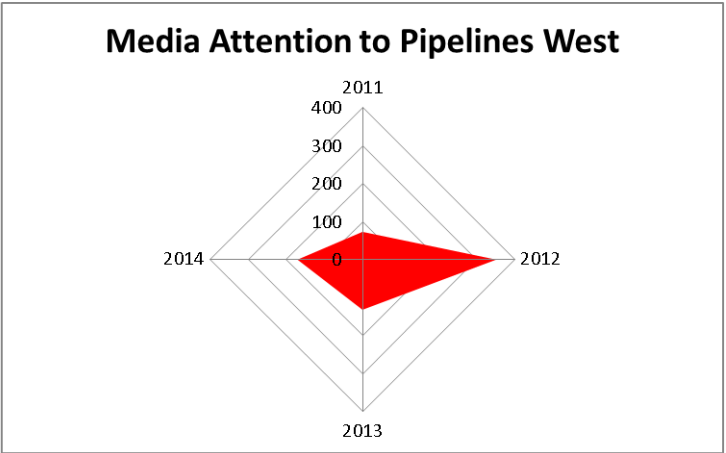
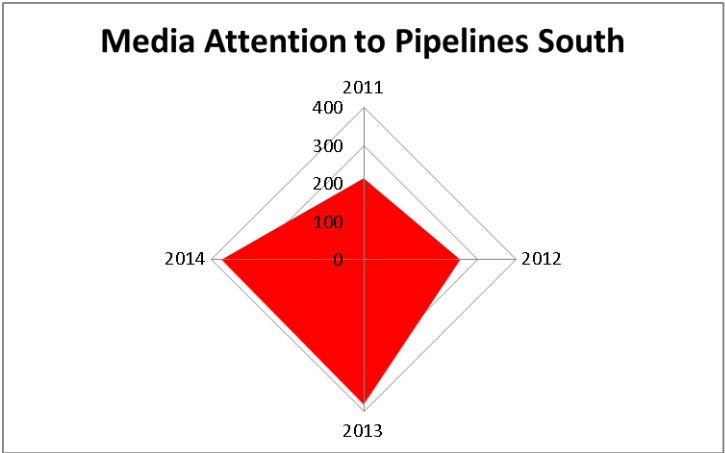
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