Keystone Pipeline Cancellation

[Preceding questions held for future release]

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Okay now changing subjects again.

The Keystone XL pipeline is a proposed oil pipeline running from Alberta to Nebraska that would deliver up to 900,000 barrels per day of Canadian crude oil to US refineries. First proposed in 2008, former U.S. president Barack Obama did not grant permits needed for construction, citing climate change as the reason. His successor, former president Donald Trump signed an executive order allowing Keystone XL to ahead. Now however, President Joe Biden is indicating he will again cancel the project again citing climate change. So far, the Alberta government has invested nearly roughly $1.5 billion in the project, plus $6 billion in loan guarantees.

QK1.
Base = all
Single choice grid

Based on what you’ve seen read or heard about this, would you say the cancellation of the Keystone XL pipeline is a good or bad thing for:

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Alberta
Canada
The U.S.

[columns]
Good thing
Bad thing
Not sure

QK2
Base = all
Single choice

What consideration carries more weight in how you view this issue:

Jobs and economy
Climate change and the environment

QK3.
Base = all
Single choice
Some people think this is the most important issue for Canada-US relations and want the Trudeau government to expend all its political capital on this. Other people say it is unlikely the Biden administration will change its minds and Canada should accept the decision and move on.

Suppose you were the Prime Minister of Canada and you were speaking to President Joe Biden. Which approach is closest to the one you would you take?

Press for a reversal of Keystone XL above all other Canada-US priorities
Accept Biden’s decision on Keystone XL and focus on other Canada-US priorities