AAPA Seminar for Port Governing Boards
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Navigating an Uncertain Political Landscape

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Mandate, as outlined in the *Canada Marine Act*:

To facilitate Canada’s trade objectives, ensuring goods are moved safely, while protecting the environment and considering local communities.
Navigating the Canadian Political Landscape, eh?
Countdown to the Next Election

- Next federal election is 17 months away (Oct 21, 2019)
- Polls have limited value at this stage
- Pipeline politics
- NAFTA/Trade
- Deficits, House of Commons procedural tactics
Mid-Mandate

- Government ramping up for 2019 election
- Legislative backlog
- Last Fall Fiscal Update & Budget 2018
- Pressure to deliver on mandate letters
- By-elections
Budget 2018

- Gender Equality & Parental Leave
- National Pharmacare Strategy
- Indigenous Communities
- Environment
- G7 & global work
- Innovation agenda
The Opposition

- **Conservative Party – Andrew Scheer**
  - Leader since May 2017
  - Honing a message
  - Needs to broaden traditional base

- **NDP – Jagmeet Singh**
  - Leader since October 2017
  - Struggling to gain profile
  - Considering Burnaby seat
Recent passage of key legislation for marine, rail transport: Bill C-49 (Transport Modernization Act)

- Working on Ports Policy Review
- Continuing to announce Infrastructure projects for Transport Corridors
- Transport Ministry team evolving
ACPA Issues Landscape

Infrastructure (NTCF)
Impact Assessment


HOUSE OF COMMONS OF CANADA

BILL C-69

An Act to enact the Impact Assessment Act and the Canadian Energy Regulator Act, to amend the Navigation Protection Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts
Oceans Protection Plan
Summary

• Election preparedness driving much decision making
• Global trade environment uncertain and shifting rapidly
• Government is striving to balance economic and trade needs with their commitment to environmental, Indigenous, gender and social concerns