

## What the BC Premier's Reconciliation Smells Like

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Quite simply, if a politician dangles child welfare money to anyone, but makes it contingent on embracing a sick LNG plant, what does that smell like to you?

I think it smells the same as when she tells a school board to [close schools or else they don't get seismic upgrading money](#).

I think you know what that smells like too.

We must completely obliterate the BC Liberal Party. Because children aren't pawns, except to the BC Liberal Party.

**First Nation rejects province's Pacific Trail cheque after child welfare program hitched to pipeline offer**

A ham-fisted attempt to win First Nations support for the province's liquefied natural gas ambitions has backfired, threatening support for the Pacific Trail pipeline needed to bring natural gas to Kitimat for a proposed LNG plant.

The Wet'suwet'en hereditary chiefs have returned a cheque to the province and have backed away from a proposed agreement on the pipeline after the B.C. Ministry of Aboriginal Relations and Reconciliation linked its LNG offer to continued funding for vulnerable children in the northern coastal community.

"When we saw that they had rolled up our child welfare program in the LNG offer, we were dismayed. This is an absolute proof of the sharp dealings across this province to get this LNG initiative," said Debbie Pierre, executive director for the Office of the Wet'suwet'en.

Source: [B.C. child welfare program offer to First Nation backfires over LNG ties - The Globe and Mail](#)