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I accept the fact that oil laden tankers will be going through the Strait of Juan de Fuca for years to come. I do want the State of Washington to require at least one additional rescue tug to be sited at Roche Harbor ( I have watched the presentations about the best site for such a vessel over the past year), but I also believe it is the oil companies themselves who should pay for the vessel, it's crew's salaries and for all clean-up required in case of an oil spill. They are the ones making money off this resource from Canada and Washington State. They can pay. The taxpayers of Canada and Washington State, who have no control over the transport or sale of this oil, and who do not benefit directly from the transport or sale of the oil, should not have to pay for the safety/clean-up costs in the case of an accident.

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