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## Indigenous Communities and Transport Canada Visiting Kahnawà:ke

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The Kahnawà:ke Environment Protection Office (KEPO) wishes to inform the community that a group attending the Enhanced Maritime Situational Awareness (EMSA) conference will be visiting the community today (Thursday, October 20<sup>th</sup>). The group consists of thirteen Indigenous coastal communities and Transport Canada, who will be doing a bus tour of the community and Tekakwitha Island.

The EMSA pilot project, co-developed by Transport Canada and Indigenous partner communities, aims to build a web-based system to increase maritime awareness for Indigenous and coastal communities. KEPO has been a partner in the project developing the system since 2018.

The EMSA system provides real-time vessel information, environmental data, tidal data, and more. KEPO has been utilizing the system for several projects, including tracking marine traffic moving through Kahnawà:ke and monitoring air quality.

For more information, please contact the KEPO at **450-635-0600** or <a href="mailto:EnvironmentProtection@mck.ca">EnvironmentProtection@mck.ca</a>.