

Environmental groups seek injunction to stop planned drilling near Cacouna, Que.

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our environmental groups are fighting to get a temporary injunction to stop exploratory drilling in the Saint Lawrence River.

They say the TransCanada pipeline project threatens a nursing ground for beluga whales.

Drilling is expected to begin near Cacouna, Que., just northeast of Rivière-du-Loup, on Sept. 2, but lawyers argued in court Friday for an injunction.

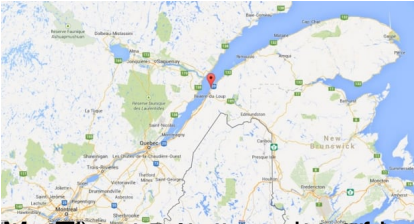
Karine Peloffy, an administrator of the Centre québécois du droit de l'environnement, said the main issue is protecting a beluga nursery in the region.

“Specifically this area around Cacouna because it’s shallower so the females feel more safe feeding their with their newborns than they would where it’s deeper,” Peloffy said.

Pipeline threatens beluga whales, activists say

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Corrections

- An earlier version of this story referred to exploratory drilling for oil. In fact, the company is doing exploratory drilling to determine the feasibility of a port.

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