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[EXTERNAL] National Wildlife Arctic Refuge: please take the time that is required1 message

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Dear Sir or Madam:

As an American citizen who does not want to be at the mercy of overseas cartels, I understand the need for energy independence.

However, we cannot short-circuit environmental assessment processes that protect our natural resources for the benefit of our children and grandchildren. It takes time to properly assess the impacts of drilling in the Refuge, and I strongly urge that we take that time.

The US is already a net energy exporter, and there is no crisis or urgency to opening up the Refuge. The damage that may be done would be irreversible. We can never replace the wildlife that becomes extinct, nor clean the habitat that becomes polluted.

Our national resources are the irreplaceable heritage of the American people. A sound, conservative approach to managing them for the benefit of the nation, its citizens, and its future requires that we take the time to fully understand the impacts before we allow the oil and gas industry to profit at the expense of our future quality of life.

Respectfully yours,

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