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**[EXTERNAL] Arctic National Wildlife Refuge**

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To: "blm\_ak\_coastalplain\_EIS@blm.gov" &lt;blm\_ak\_coastalplain\_EIS@blm.gov&gt;

Dear Nicole Hayes, project coordinator and other concerned with the ANWR

I have a lifelong passion for wildlife and the outdoors. Climbing many of the major peaks in the Northwest and Alaska has taught me the value of public lands. Involvement with the Audubon Society and Natural habitats has given me an appreciation of the natural world. My wife and I recently returned from a tour to see polar bears up close. A few years ago we took our sons kayaking around Glacier Bay. A breakfast encounter with a grizzly makes you realize your place in the natural world. The value in protecting these icons of the natural world cannot be overstated. The value in the oil and gas extracted is embarrassingly trivial by comparison.

I hope this land will be preserved and drilling never allowed.

Thank you for your time !

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