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**[EXTERNAL] Drilling in the Alaskan Coastal Plain Reserve**

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

Dear BLM,

The price of oil is so low now that many of our shale fracking firms have had to shut down. Furthermore, there is so much abundant oil today that OPEC is pursuing a policy to restrict its sales to keep the price up. Furthermore OPEC and Russia are both aware that if they allow the price to go too high, we shall simply open our closed wells and begin fracking in force again.

There is absolutely no need to open a reserve in a significant and fragile natural habitat on which a number of species depend to allow more oil into the market today or into the medium term future.

The only reason to do so is the worse kind of political interference to benefit narrow private interests at the expense of the public land and greater long term good of the environment and climate.

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