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[EXTERNAL] Drilling in the Arctic Refuge

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Hello!

I know that you must be inundated with responses from the public about the potential drilling sites in the 1002 area in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, but I would also like to lend my voice. As someone who is fortunate enough to have spent time in this area, I am also someone who feels strongly against the development and extraction of natural resources in this area. Many concerns of the livelihood of the native peoples of the area are of high concern to me, as well as the native caribou herd and other wild animals that call the Arctic tundra home. I also know that our modern day society cannot function without the resources we wish to extract- but I believe that preserving spaces that are already under Refuge status is important and they should remain pristine. Once development happens in such areas, it is irreversible, we cannot get back what was lost. I believe it is important to keep such spaces in our world, where there are not many left.

Thank you for taking the time to consider public comments about public lands!

Best,

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