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[EXTERNAL] Public comment on opening up the ANWR

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To whom it may concern,

I recently heard about the proposal to lift the ban on fossil-fuel development in the refuge. There are so many reasons why we need to put the brakes on this. Development of fossil fuels in general is not an investment in our future, because these resources are not sustainable or renewable. Once these resources are extracted, used, and depleted, and we've defiled the environment from which they were taken, what then will be left for future generations? Not only that, but it has been scientifically proven that burning fossil fuels is worsening the adverse conditions caused by climate change, that people are already suffering from. To make matters worse, the proposed drilling is to occur in one of the planet's last remaining pristine regions, a final holdout for some of the precious few wildlife species of its kind in this precious part of the world. These lands must seem so vast when one lives in Alaska, but travel anywhere else in the world, and you will quickly discover that this is truly one of the last remaining wild places left, where rivers remain un-dammed, and ecosystems can thrive, uncompromised. As a citizen of this planet, I ask that you deeply consider these actions and proposals, and see the lasting impacts of these decisions. We are more connected than we know, and we must look beyond the desire of immediate gains, for the sake of others.

Thank you for your time and consideration of this serious matter,

Lisa Hall