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[EXTERNAL] Comment on oil drilling

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To Whom It May Concern,

I oppose oil exploration in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge's coastal plain.

I do not believe oil companies are evil, but I believe that even actions with good intentions carry risks. People make mistakes and miscalculations, and accidents happen--no matter how carefully we plan to avoid them, and even when they have been relatively rare previously. Nobody thought something like the BP disaster was likely-and nothing like that had previously occurred--but it happened. There are almost no pristine wilderness areas left in our country, and to put this magnificent one at risk is foolish, whether risk to accident or even just unintended consequences of industrial disturbance. There is a reason our nation chose to make ANWR what it is, and it would be tragic for our generation to be the one to greedily, short-sightedly roll the dice on preserving it.

There is no question there are economic benefits to oil exploration, but the benefits to average Alaskans and American citizens are just not worth the risks of causing irreparable harm to one of our nation's treasures.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

David Javsicas