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[EXTERNAL] Please protect the Alaska Arctic Refuge!

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Dear U.S. Bureau of Land Management,

The Coastal Plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge includes the calving grounds of the Porcupine Caribou herd. These animals migrate between Canada and Alaska. Disturbing the sensitive calving grounds through oil and gas drilling would have disastrous effects on the health of the herd. The Gwich'in communities of Canada and Alaska rely on the herd for their culture and subsistence.

The importance of the Arctic Refuge transcends borders with many species crossing back and forth into Canada. It is critical that Canadian interests be included in this environmental review. As a Canadian, I urge you to ensure that the environmental review is rigorous and addresses all impacts using both western science and the knowledge of Indigenous people. Oil and gas extraction has no place in the Arctic Refuge.

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