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**[EXTERNAL] Drilling in the Arctic Wildlife Refuge**1 message

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To: blm\_ak\_coastalplain\_EIS@blm.gov

Good day,

I am writing to address the American plan to allow drilling in this Wildlife Refuge.

The whole point of a refuge is to reserve space for the wildlife to live unimpacted by industry.

As soon as you let industry in, they start building forestry roads to access their work sites. This negatively impacts caribou and moose as their predators have nice open roads to travel down. I know this from living in northern British Columbia for many years.

Additionally, the wildlife do not stay within artificial boundaries created by man. They migrate through areas crossing both our countries so the US should not be making this decision in isolation.

Please reconsider this action.

Kind regards,

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Sent from my iPad