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[EXTERNAL] Comment on BLM Prepares an Environmental Impact Statement for the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program, Alaska1 message

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FOR THE RECORD

Dear BLM:

I strongly oppose the leasing of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge Coastal Plain for oil exploration and drilling.

Damage to the refuge and refuge wildlife from oil spills, development and road building, infrastructure building, and improved access for non-Native hunters is a huge threat to this area.

As part of your Environmental Impact review, please include the impact of additional offshore drilling, which will be spurred by oil leasing in this area.

Particular attention should be made to the impact on caribou and polar bears.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

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