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[EXTERNAL] Drilling in ANWR

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Hello, I'm writing to express my concern over the plans for drilling in ANWR. I am an aquatic ecologist and have worked in several streams in the Sagavanirktok River headwaters and the Sadlerochit River within ANWR. The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is a special place, with a unique set of species and interactions. Once drilled, this area will be changed forever and can never be replaced. Animals, such as the Porcupine caribou herd are stressed enough with change weather and climate, and do not need the additional stress of drilling in their calving grounds. The amount of oil and gas that would be gained from this area is relatively small, and not worth destroying the beautiful and unique ecosystem.

Please accept my comment, I am strongly against drilling in ANWR.

Sincerely,
Dr. Stephanie M. Parker
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