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**[EXTERNAL] Drilling in the ANWR**

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To: "blm\_ak\_coastalplain\_EIS@blm.gov" &lt;blm\_ak\_coastalplain\_EIS@blm.gov&gt;

I'm writing to oppose drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR). The ANWR is a unique and priceless natural resource, and there is absolutely no need at this time to rush into approval of leasing land for drilling.

While this nation, sadly, remains petroleum dependent, at this time we have a surplus of oil and gas leases that obviate the urgency of finding other sources. As a side note, I would add that perhaps this is the time to look for non-petroleum energy sources.

While I do not doubt that the lessees would make all reasonable efforts to prevent environmental damage, human beings are fallible and accidents would inevitably occur. In addition, there is no way to calculate the damage that the mere presence of humans and equipment would do.

This area is a valued and cherished resource for us and for generations to come. If it is damaged or destroyed, it cannot be replaced.

In closing, I quote Theodore Roosevelt who said "I recognize the right and duty of this generation to develop and use the natural resources of our land: but I do not recognize the right to waste them, or to rob, by wasteful use, the generations that come after us."

I sincerely request, as an American who loves and values our natural resources, to oppose the drilling in the ANWR.

Sincerely,  
Vicki Sensiba

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