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**[EXTERNAL] Scoping comment-Coastal plain, A Sabbath is a Refuge is a sacred revolution of Earth**

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I've always appreciated the occasion of a Sabbath—a period for rest. A Sabbath might be understood as a refuge in time, or, even a sacred revolution of Earth.

The Arctic Refuge is sacred to Gwich'in People. It is a place of origins and fresh starts especially in springtime—right now. Such places and times are what sustain all of us. Earth is the only hope of all life as we know it.

Who would human beings be without Sabbaths and Refuges giving rest for and room apart from ourselves?