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**[EXTERNAL] Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing EIS**

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

I am writing to comment on the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing EIS. I appose leasing land for the purpose of oil drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. This area is currently unspoiled and home to iconic wilderness and wildlife. It is also home to the indigenous Gwich'in people. The potential devastating consequences from oil drilling is not worth the \$2.2 billion revenue to be split by the Federal and Alaskan State Governments. The current abundance of shale oil and gas coming from the lower 48 states eliminates the cost benefit of drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. The welfare of our environment and the protection of wildlife is more important the subsidizing the citizens of Alaska, which in my opinion is the ultimate entitlement.

Investment of funds will be much better spent protecting our environment by reducing global warming and investing in clean energy alternatives.

Sincerely,  
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*The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is one of the most beautiful and unspoiled places on our planet - home to iconic wilderness and wildlife*