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**[EXTERNAL] No drilling in ANWR**

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Dear BLM,

Please maintain the protection of the Arctic Wildlife Refuge in perpetuity by **prohibiting the drilling and exploration activity** for energy extraction in ANWR. I support the permanent protection of this wilderness area for these reasons:

1. **We do not need the additional energy:** We are producing more oil/gas than the US can consume at this time, and are exporting our excess.
2. **Once damaged, never repaired:** The exploration, extraction and transportation infrastructure will permanently damage this fragile tundra/arctic ecosystem of the refuge.
3. **Spill Clean up will be challenging:** Cleaning up an oil spill or drilling waste will be costly, time-consuming and difficult given the remoteness of the refuge and the time it will take to get equipment and resources there. In addition, the area is habitat to numerous migratory bird and mammal species.

Please do not permit the leases to go forward and protect this area in perpetuity.

Respectfully,

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