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[EXTERNAL] Please don't open the ANWR Coastal Plain for drilling

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Ms. Hayes,

Alaska is home to some of the wildest, most pristine land remaining in the world, and there aren't many places that are wilder or more pristine than the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Opening the area for oil and gas leasing would be a huge mistake. It would put additional pressures on already-threatened animals like polar bears and caribou. There are alternatives to oil and gas - there are no alternatives to these creatures. Once they're gone, they're not coming back. Factor in the fragile ecosystem, indigenous population, and already-changing climate, and the risks - and straight-forward negative impact - of this project far outweigh any positives.

Thank you.

Alex Blackmer

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