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Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program EIS

Public Scoping Comment Form

Please submit your comments by **June 19, 2018** via one of the following methods:

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Via webform on the project website:

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Comments:

I am a graduate student of rural Appalachia. My community had to fight hard against hydraulic fracturing - which would have destroyed our way of life - and were blessed with a ban. Knowing how hard we fought for this ~~with~~ the potential dangers, we can empathize with the Guich'in people who are fighting for their way of life. We must ask if we are 100% certain that drilling will not significantly adversely impact the climate, ecosystem, and culture of the Guich'in and if not, if we should be making permanent decisions with limited public input that have the potential to wreak catastrophic impacts on sacred land. Injustice to Indigenous peoples is an unfortunate pattern in western civilization and I hope with my heart and soul that we can break that pattern and respect these peoples' way of life. Thank you.

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