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[EXTERNAL] scoping comments COASTAL PLAIN OIL AND GAS LEASING PROGRAM EIS1 message

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I oppose the industrialization of the arctic coastal plain for many reasons:

1. It is one of the world's last best wildernesses. Even if oil could be safely drilled, which I doubt, this wilderness should not be industrialized. Once wilderness is gone, it is gone forever.
2. This is land owned by the American people, not the fossil fuel companies.
3. We know that climate change is an existential threat to the planet. The arctic is already suffering more than any part of the planet from global warming. The oil should be left in the ground.
4. Drilling this oil is unnecessary. With the tidal wave of alternative energy on the way, there is no need for this oil.
5. The big picture: In say 50 years, our descendants will curse you if you wreck this wildness.

Thank you for listening,

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