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[EXTERNAL] refuge oil drilling1 message

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To: "blm_ak_coastalplain_EIS@blm.gov" <blm_ak_coastalplain_EIS@blm.gov>

Dear Ms Hayes,

I have visited Alaska on a number of occasions and found the breathtaking scenery and pristine wildlife to be one of the most stunning places on earth. The thought that we would desecrate this area to satisfy perceived needs for oil and gas short sighted.

I was a newly minted veterinarian in 1989 when the Exxon Valdez caused catastrophic damage to the Alaskan environment. It was heartbreaking dealing with the oil soaked wildlife. It is now almost 30 years later and many people have forgotten the financial and environmental consequences of that event.

In 2010, the Deepwater Horizon became another horrific environmental and financial disaster. Seaturtles are still recovering from the damage to their nesting sites.

We have an unending responsibility to uphold the wisdom of those who established the refuge in 1960. Alternate energy sources can be developed but we only have one Earth.

Sincerely,
Elisabeth Devlin