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[EXTERNAL] Please Protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge From Oil Drilling1 message

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Good Day,

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I am lending my voice to those calling for the BLM to protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge (ANWR) from oil drilling.

There are few places left on earth that haven't been changed by industry and development but ANWR is one of those places. It is greatly disappointing that after a decades-long fight, the U.S. Senate passed a Taxation Bill that will allow for ANWR to be opened for oil and gas drilling. With all that we now know about the effects of drilling on its surrounding ecosystem, allowing drilling in ANWR signals an absolute surrender of our society to corporate interests.

This administration is putting politics above protection of one of our most treasured public lands. Rushing into leasing is not what the Refuge deserves or what the law requires. The administration needs to comply with all the important legal protections that are in place to protect caribou, water, subsistence and other sensitive resources of the Coastal Plain.

What's worse is that pulling more oil out of the ground would mean prolonging an energy system that we KNOW cannot sustain itself and is threatening our future on this planet. The money, time and resources going into drilling in ANWR should be put towards other means of securing our future energy needs.

I urge you to take all steps necessary to prevent the destruction of this fragile ecosystem and advocate to reallocate the resources into clean energy. This is no longer the future of energy, this is now.

We only have one earth and we need to do all we can to protect it. Please follow the science, not the corporate greed and do the right thing. We need to speak for those species who cannot speak for themselves and make sure ANWR is protected for generations to come.

Thank you for considering my feedback.

Sincerely,
Jennifer D'Angelo

"The animals of the world exist for their own reasons. They were not made for humans any more than black people were made for white, or women created for men."

--Alice Walker