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[EXTERNAL] Scoping comments

1 message

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To whom it may concern,

I hereby add my voice to the scoping comments regarding the Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program. As a concerned resident of Alaska and as one who studied Alaska Native culture in graduate school at University of Alaska Fairbanks, I find it inconceivable that our country would consider oil and gas development in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Oil and gas development of any kind is motivated only by short-term profits. Eventually that resource will be gone, leaving only devastation in its wake. The animals, land, and water currently protected in ANWR is one of the last remaining environmentally pristine places on the planet. We cannot allow it to be destroyed by an industry only interested in profits.

To make matters worse, nobody knows where the oil is located because there is no updated 3D seismic data. This means more risk for bidders and greater environmental impacts. This is one of the many problems with the expedited lease schedule.

I beg you. Please do NOT risk our long-term environmental future for short-term oil profits.

Thank you,

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