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Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program Draft EIS

Comment Form

Please submit your comments by March 13, 2019 via one of the following methods:

- **Via webform on the project website:**
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Comments:

I support Alternative A. All other alternatives would destroy the coastal plain. The 1002 area of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge is important for the whole Refuge system to work. It is the only calving ground of the Western Arctic Caribou herd. Females do not calve around any infrastructure, roads or pipelines. The 1002 area is also important for the Porcupine Caribou herd. How can you have 800,000 acres and have only 2,000 acres of surface infrastructure? Where are the roads, vehicles, people, buildings, etc. going to be? There is not much water in the 1002 area. I have done many trips up there and river water can drop fast. Where will the necessary water come from? Where are you going to get the necessary gravel without destroying the streams? Required operating procedures need to include climate change, a warming arctic, permafrost melting, rising and warming arctic oceans. You need to prevent disturbing of denning polar bears. Polar bears are spending summers on the land in the Refuge now that there is no shore fast ice. How will they be managed. You need to protect them and grizzly bears and give them space to travel and hunt and not be habituated to humans and their food. Seismic activity will destroy the vegetation and effect the land even when done in winter on snow. You need to prevent that destruction.