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Bureau of Land Management
Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program EIS
222 West 7th Avenue, Stop #13
Anchorage, Alaska 99513 -7504

Dear BLM:

I support the 'No Action' alternative, which doesn't allow oil and gas development on the Arctic Refuge Coastal Plain. This is the only alternative that treats the Arctic Refuge as a Refuge, and not an oil field. It's the only choice for keeping our public lands legacy strong. BLM must consider the importance of the subsistence and conservation values that have been protected in the Arctic Refuge for decades.

I truly believe that we as US citizens need wilderness. Wilderness defined as land not touched by humans, void of development, totally existing in its natural form. There is something special for us there — renewal, restoration, affirmation.

Second, the Arctic Refuge is Gwich'in people's land. The indigenous people have sovereignty + rights to their ancestral, spiritual land. We should take No Action on the Arctic Refuge

Sincerely,



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