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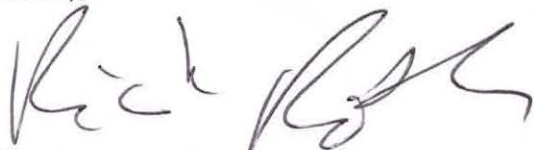
Bureau of Land Management  
Coastal Plain Oil and Gas Leasing Program EIS  
222 West 7th Avenue, Stop #13  
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Dear BLM:

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.

Having grown up in Michigan, and seen the effects of development, moving to Alaska in 2009 was a wonderful change of pace. Seeing a place that still had true, wild lands was incredible. A place you can go days without seeing signs of humanity. It's a unique place in the entire world, and it's a thing we should cherish. Opening this special place to development, when it is a place designated for wilderness, was a cheap political trick. We shouldn't sell an eternity of wild for a few bucks in the next several decades.

Sincerely,



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