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The only people for whom drilling in ANWR makes sense is the oil companies. As a nation, assuming oil is a resource, we should not be anxious to exploit it (if we leave it there, we can always go get it later, it's not going anywhere). Given the problem burning fossil fuels creates by making climate change occur faster, drilling for oil is exactly what we should not do, it should be left in the ground. For oil companies, however, leaving it in the ground means they can't make money on it.

And these reasons above, which alone should be reason enough to stop the drilling, don't even include the conventional concerns about environmental degradation, endangering the caribou, as well as disrupting the culture of the native people who live there.

In a word, no. Don't drill in ANWR.

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