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To Whom it May Concern,

Comments regarding: DEIS - Coastal Plain oil and Gas Leasing

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the DEIS

The analysis is important to Alaskan of various perspectives. I am a rural resident of interior Alaska. In the Alaska National Wildlife Refuge, I've hunted under state of Alaska subsistence hunting regulations and have camped, hiked and rafted on the North Slope.

I am thankful to see that the DEIS addresses many of the topics of concern raised during public scoping.

I encourage considering extending the public comment period commensurate with the length of the partial government shutdown to ensure that the public can contact public officials during the comment period and to demonstrate good faith toward the public process as required by NEPA.

The DEIS addresses required volumes of water that will be required for the project but lacks adequate analysis about how this drawdown will impact water resources in the impacted areas. This analysis of water use should also speak to the latest research about how the specific proposed levels of water use and specific proposed physical changes to the landscape stand to impact cumulatively impact permafrost across the leasing area.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate,

Molly McKinley

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