

## **ANWR:**

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## 49 ANWR points from the 49<sup>th</sup> State

- 1) The 10-02 Area has more conventional oil potential in one spot than any single or collective regional onshore location in North America.
- 2) ANWR has been the most continually active energy issue on Capitol Hill for the past 30 years.
- 3) To date Alaskan oil saved America importing 16,058,674,205 barrels of oil since 1977 when the Trans-Alaska Pipeline opened.
- 4) In 2010 alone the Trans-Alaska Pipeline, operating at 1/3<sup>rd</sup> capacity, saved America importing \$15,207,988,866 worth of oil.
- 5) Importing oil is the single largest contributor to our national debt. In 2011 a full TAPS would save America \$195,300,000 per day.
- 6) At \$90 pb the mean value of ANWR oil is \$936 billion. At 100\$pb it is worth over \$1.3 Trillion
- 7) Every Alaskan State Legislature, every single Alaskan Congressional delegate, and every single Alaskan Governor has supported opening the 10-02 every year since the debate began. In a 2008 poll 78% of Alaskans supported exploration in ANWR.
- Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN), Alaska's Native governing body, supports exploration; the North Slope Borough (the Government of the Arctic) supports exploration, the Village of Kaktovik (ANWR's only settlement) supports exploration, the Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (representing all natives in the Arctic) supports exploration.

9) The State of Alaska position on ANWR is echoed by hundreds of national organizations from all walks of life.

- 10) A majority of Americans support opening the 10-02. This has been proven in a number of independent public polls in 2008 and 2009.
- 11) When told the fact that Alaskans support this issue, more than half of all doubters on ANWR convert.

- 12) Millions more Americans will benefit from the oil and gas from ANWR in one day than will ever visit ANWR in a lifetime.
- 13) No species of animal, fish, insect, or bird has declined in population within the oil fields of Prudhoe Bay since development began negating doomsday claims by environmentalists.
- 14) A job created is better than a job lost! Declining production and an empty pipeline means one thing, jobs lost and lost state, federal and private revenue.
- 15) ANWR has the potential to double Prudhoe Bay's current output. This output could last over 30 years.
- 16) The predictions on Prudhoe Bay was 9 billion barrels; we surpassed 16 billion barrels in 2009.
- 17) The USGS estimates for ANWR now used by all in this debate are based on 37% recovery rate; today we recover over 60%.
- Green organizations will raise more money and spend more money on the ANWR issue in one year than any other environmental issue. It is their golden goose and egg.
- 19) In its first 20 years Prudhoe Bay development has caused well over \$50 billion to be spent by industry buying goods and services nationwide.
- 20) Even after exploration begins, over 90% of ANWR will always be completely off limits to any development.
- 21) 30 years have past since the first, "it will take 10 years to develop" argument was raised in Congress.
- 22) ALL energy provisions in the National Stimulus plan now being implemented could be paid for with AWNR oil royalties / taxes, costing Americans nothing.
- 23) You cannot conserve your way into energy independence. Conservation produces no energy. Production produces energy.
- 24) ANWR is a part of the solution, no one has ever argued that it is the whole solution.
- 25) Saying theoretical "NO" to fossil fuels, leaves us to find other alternative energy sources, not one of which has the current capacity to sustain us or supply us with the products oil does. ALL "alternative energies" use oil and gas to make their component parts.
- 26) The fact is, "oil is where you find it". Roughly 14% of the onshore Arctic areas has strong oil and gas potential. All of which are opposed by greens.

- 27) Oil spills in the Arctic are reported and cleaned up by law. Oil spills in any regular city business' parking lot are not.
- A growing economy means increased energy consumption. The two are directly correlated. This is true, even with increased technological efficiencies.
- 29) An increasing population means increased energy consumption. The two are directly correlated. This is true, even with increased technological energy efficiencies.
- 30) The EIA estimates oil to reach \$106 pb by 2014 and remain above that line thereafter.
- 31) America imports 60% of its oil from abroad.
- 32) In 2010 the US imported over 13.2 million barrels of oil and petroleum products a day (EIA)
- 33) In 2009 we imported an average12.9 million barrels of oil and petroleum products a day (EIA). The oil alone cost us \$922,072,320 per day, or \$38 million dollars an hour....just for raw crude alone.
- 34) ANWR is not an oil bank. It takes years and years to do exploration and then produce oil. Currently we do not even have any hard data on what is exactly there.
- 35) Given the timeline to produce oil, waiting for a shortage of supply caused by war, hurricane or politics, before approving exploration is a "too little, too late" strategy that will only lead us into a worse economic and social crisis.
- 36) America is perhaps the only nation, developed or otherwise that deliberately refuses to access its own natural resources, preferring instead to play NIMBY and buy from abroad.
- 37) In testimony to Congress during the debate to construct the Trans-Alaska Pipeline (1972) Sierra Club biologists argued to build the pipeline east along the Coastal Plain through (now) ANWR's 10-02 Area and down through Canada, stating it would travel with the flow of the caribou's migration and that the area had no scenic beauty or value.
- 39) ANWR oil production, under current legislation, can take up no more than 2000 acres, or 3.1sq.miles.
- 40) ANWR oil production demands use of "best technology available" and a "take in- take out" policy. This is not an option but the law.
- 41) ANWR oil production would be monitored 24/7 by local hire Wildlife Monitors who have the power to mitigate exploration activity if negative environmental effects are seen.
- 42) Wilderness designation will be near permanent in a political sense. It is nearly impossible to undo it.

- 43) The battle to undo a Wilderness designation will be larger than the battle to open up ANWR.
- 44) The environmental movement is openly against any exploration in the Arctic north of the Brooks Range. This was formally codified in a letter to the President by their main leaders, Sen. Inslee and Rep. Markey in 2009.

45) The 10-02 Area contains private land that is effectively locked up by the ANILCA bill that created ANWR's current shape. Private property rights are ignored in the ANWR debate.

46) The villagers of Kaktovik in the 10-02 consider it a great insult that they are often ignored in this debate and that their land is considered "pristine" and uninhabited. To them, it is used and an important part of their daily operating lives.

- 47) ANWR's 10-02 is the "dinner plate" for the Inupiat of Kaktovik. They would not support this issue if they felt their source of daily sustenance would be at risk.
- 48) The Inupiat villagers of the Arctic who's sacred land this has been for over 10,000 years, for the past 30 years of development has worked together with the State and the Industry to mitigate a beneficial and positive social, environmental, and economic solution to the development of Prudhoe Bay, America's largest oil field situated on their land. The great success of this effort has made them strong supporters of the fight to open ANWR.
- 49) ANWR is not and "either / or" situation. The choice is not black or white, yes or no. ANWR is a case of responsible management and governance. It is a case of careful planning, environmental sensitivity and compromise. All Alaskans are aware of this and promote this and believe this can be done right. That is precisely why we overwhelmingly support this cause.