

House Resources Committee Members;

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on proposed oil and gas leasing on the North Slope Coastal Plain. The area 1002 of the Coastal Plain has been identified as an area to be made available for oil and gas leasing. I support the efforts to make the area 1002 of the Coastal Plain available for oil and gas lease sales.

Considerable effort has been put forth to mitigate any possible adverse consequences to the environment and wildlife of the region. To not continue to explore and expand resource reserves is not acting responsible and will in the long term be a detriment to the economies of the people of Alaska and the Nation.

I have lived in Alaska my entire life and recognize the many wonders Alaska has to offer. I also recognize that in order for Alaska and its people to thrive and have self-determination we need resource development to provide the necessary services and opportunities for its citizens across this great State.

Thank you for your service to Alaska

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