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Stephanie Rice, NPR-A Project Manager  
Bureau of Land Management  
*Submitted electronically*

**Subject: Support Responsible Development of NPR-A**

Dear Ms. Rice,

The Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce supports responsible development of Alaska’s natural resources to ensure a strong and diversified economy. We believe in a robust public process to revise the Integrated Activity Plan (IAP) for the National Petroleum Reserve–Alaska (NPR-A) which balances the need for access to energy resources with environmental and subsistence concerns.

NPR-A was designated by our Federal government for energy production. Production from NPR-A will help maintain the integrity of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline System, a critical component of Alaska’s infrastructure.

The Oil & Gas industry has demonstrated responsible design, engineering, and development of their projects in a way that minimizes impacts on the environment, wildlife and subsistence activities, and maintains high standards for safety and emergency response activities.

The Greater Fairbanks Chamber of Commerce represents over 700 business members throughout Interior Alaska. We work to advocate for the best business environment, promote economic strength and growth for interior Alaska, and to develop the resources and networks enterprising people use to share knowledge.

Respectfully,

Marisa Sharrah  
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