

Trump pushes oil industry for more arctic drilling

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With his presidency now nearing its end, Donald Trump is rushing through a process to open up the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge's coastal plain to lease for oil drilling.

The administration has invited oil companies to name the areas they'd like to drill in one of the nation's most iconic and sacred landscapes. The Center for Biological Diversity joined Indigenous groups this week in condemning the move.

"On his way out the door, Trump is trying to lock in climate chaos and the extinction of polar bears and other endangered Arctic species. This is unconscionable," the Center's Kristen Monsell said. "The Arctic National Wildlife Refuge can't be replaced, so we can't let this president give it away to Big Oil."

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