

Energy Is National Security

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Making America secure through energy independence

- It's time to reduce our dependency on foreign energy.
- Oil and gas prices just hit a six-month high due to uncertainty and instability in the Middle East.
- **Right now we are nearly 60 percent dependent upon foreign sources of energy. We import nearly one million barrels per day of oil from Iraq. Iraq is our fastest growing source of imported oil. We pay more than \$4 billion to Saddam Hussein for that oil.**
- We must reduce our dependency on Iraq and other unstable nations for our country's energy supply. **By exploring for oil in ANWR with the strictest environmental standards applied we can cancel out 30 years of Iraqi imports and over 50 years of Saudi Arabian oil.**
- The *New York Times* (6/2/88) understood the benefits of exploring for oil in ANWR: **"..the potential is enormous and the environmental risks are modest ... preservation of this remote wilderness should not take precedence over the nation's energy needs."**
- We can make American energy independent through a balanced and environmentally clean energy policy. ANWR is part of that balance. It's time to stop playing politics with our nation's security and enact a real energy policy.

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Ensuring Our Energy Security:

Conservation through higher efficiency is working – since 1973, the amount of energy it takes to create each dollar of GDP has fallen by 42%.

As we look toward tomorrow's solutions, we still need to meet today's energy needs – that means we still use traditional fuels such as natural gas, clean coal, nuclear and oil for the foreseeable future.

Those solutions must begin at home.

The United States has tremendous amounts of resources.

- We are the "Saudi Arabia" of coal.
- We are the world's leader in technology and can use our resources for clean, efficient energy.
- Staggering amounts of oil still exist in places like the north slope of Alaska (ANWR).

ANWR Up Close



Tremendous Reserves – Even using conservative estimates, ANWR has more oil than all of Texas.

Preserve our Independence – ANWR has 30 years of Saudi Arabian imports and 55+ years of Iraqi imports.

Solutions Right Now – With infrastructure and the Trans Alaskan Pipeline less than 50 miles away, just a few years of work are needed to get oil flowing from ANWR.

Keep Jobs At Home – ANWR oil is valued at \$300+ billion – that oil could replace foreign oil imports which means an additional \$300 billion and thousands of jobs for our economy. Just opening the area for permits would result in \$1.5+ billion in bonuses for the federal government.



Technology Makes It Possible – Advanced techniques limit the footprint to 2,000 acres and ensure the environment and exploration can safely coexist.