

New Technology Keeps ANWR 99.99% Protected

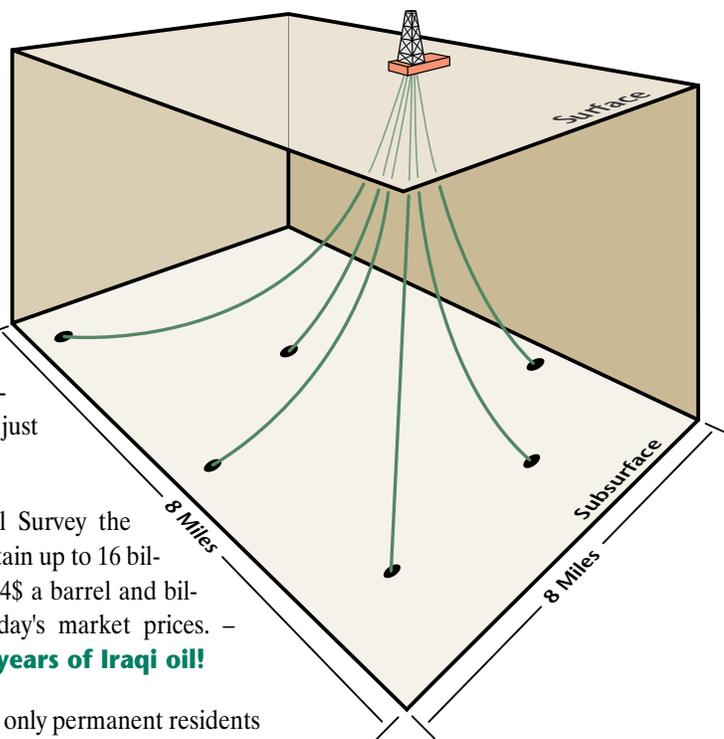
It's important to remember that of the 19.6 million acres in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, **less than 2,000 acres** will be used for energy exploration. **99.99% of ANWR will remain untouched.**

Advances in technology allow energy exploration with a **much smaller "footprint" on the land**. Multi-lateral wells, directional drilling, and extended reach wells are just a few of the advanced technologies that keep environmental impact to a minimum. Currently drilling rigs can reach up to 8 miles away underground meaning a huge underground area can be accessed from just a single tiny surface pad.

According to the U.S. Geological Survey the Coastal Plain of ANWR could contain up to 16 billion barrels of recoverable oil @ 24\$ a barrel and billions more recoverable oil at today's market prices. – **That's enough to replace 58 years of Iraqi oil!**

The native Inupiat people, the only permanent residents of ANWR, **overwhelmingly support** opening a small part of ANWR to exploration. They know that advanced energy exploration technology allows us to balance our need for energy and our concern for the environment.

*Source: USGS Resources Assessment 1998



North Slope oil wells are drilled directionally from gravel pads on the surface. Technology improvements have increased the length of directional wells. In the 1970's about 16 miles of subsurface could be produced from one pad. Now one pad can drain 64 square miles of subsurface.

