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EARLIER STARTING TIME FOR PUBLIC HEARING ON ARCTIC NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE ANNOUNCED

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has announced a time change for a scheduled public hearing in Washington, DC, to receive comments on the draft report for the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge.

The public hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m., January 9, 1987, instead of 1:30 p.m., as originally scheduled, in order to accommodate the large number of people wishing to present comments. The location of the public hearing remains unchanged. It will be in the auditorium of the U.S. Department of the Interior, 18th and C Streets NW., Washington, DC. The public hearing will end at 5:00 p.m.

The public hearing concerns the draft Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska, Coastal Plain Resource Assessment and Legislative Environmental Impact Statement. A notice of availability of this report was published in the November 24 Federal Register. On December 15, the Federal Register contained a notice of public hearings to be held in Anchorage and Kaktovik, Alaska, and Washington, DC. The dates, times, and locations of the Alaska hearings remain unchanged.

People wishing to present oral comments at the Washington, DC, hearing should sign up at the desk located at the auditorium entrance beginning at 9:00 a.m. January 9. The meeting will be chaired by an administrative law judge. Time allotted to each speaker may be limited to allow everyone a chance to speak, so speakers should summarize their oral remarks and provide a full written copy of their comments for the record.