

December 15, 2004

Padre Island National Seashore
Attn: Superintendent/O&G EA
P.O. Box 181300
Corpus Christi, TX 78480

Dear Superintendent/O&G EA:

I do not approve of the drilling plan for the Padre Island National Seashore. I am in full support of a federal buyout of the mineral rights in order to protect the environment – this is the original intent of the park – to protect and preserve a treasure for us all!

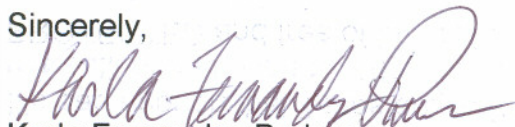
I hope that you will do the right thing and choose Alternative A – which will better protect the environment.

This shoreline was never intended to supply natural gas to the over consuming American public, but rather to give a national treasure the opportunity to stay pristine.

I am also very concerned about the health and well being of the now recovering Ridley turtle population as well as other marine and mammal populations with over 20 trucks per day projected to be entering and leaving the area.

It's bad enough that Texas only offers its citizens only 3 percent of public recreation land – the balance is way out of whack and this area **MUST BE PROTECTED** and free of industrial development. This is the longest stretch of undeveloped barrier island in the world and the last great coastal wildland in America – please keep it that way!

Sincerely,



Karla Fernandez Parker
Angry Citizen & Tax Payer