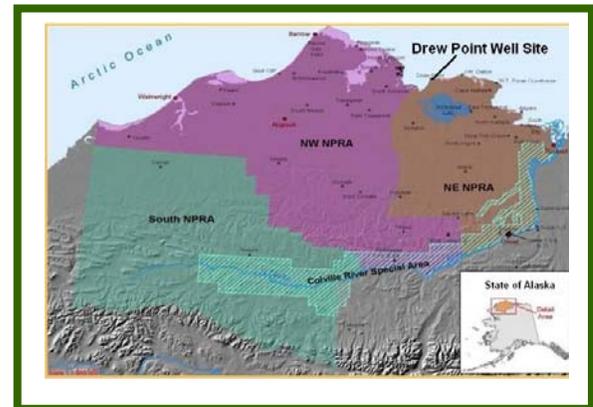




## Drew Point Legacy Well Plugging and Site Remediation

### Need

The Drew Point Well Site is a legacy well drilled by the United States in the National Petroleum Reserve-Alaska in 1978. It is now being impacted by accelerated coastal erosion. The project will involve the plugging and abandonment of the well, removal of 14,000 gallons of diesel in the well bore, and excavation, transport and disposal of contaminated drilling mud from the reserve pit.



### Recovery Act Funding

Costs to remediate Drew Point legacy during the winter months of 2010 will run into the millions of dollars because of its remote location in this roadless area of northern Alaska and the need for contractors to operate in the winter to excavate, transport and dispose of contaminated soils and solid wastes in an environmentally safe manner.

### Benefits

This project will prevent the release of contaminants into the Beaufort Sea, which would have a direct environmental impact to fisheries, marine mammals, and water quality and would create adverse impacts to customary and traditional resources harvested by Alaska Natives. This project demonstrates BLM-Alaska's commitment to public health, safety and the environment.



### More Information

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