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**Subject:** I do NOT support oil and gas exploration occurring within Sable Island National Park Reserve.  
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Dear Minister McKenna,

I feel like I send you an email a day about something the government is planning to do that goes against the entire concept of conserving an ecosystem in its current and pristine condition!

Sable Island is a fabulous and unique island that deserves to remain untouched, especially from any type of mining. Oil and gas exploration almost always results in oil and gas mining. To allow one is to allow the other.

According to CPAWS, surface drilling is prohibited on Sable Island, yet there is apparently some loophole in the legislation that allows for some type of oil and gas mining, including sub-surface drilling. Why do these loopholes exist? What's the point? Were they put there on purpose, or was it an accident that wasn't predicted when the original legislation was originally written? If it was on purpose, that's beyond sneaky and immoral. If it was an accident, and it is now known, the loophole should be closed. No drilling should mean NO drilling -- of any kind. On the surface or below the surface (someone has got to explain to me how you drill below the surface without having to go through the surface).

As the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, your first priority should always be to restrict commercial development that harms the environment and contributes to climate change. Allowing oil and gas exploration on Sable Island both harms the environment and will most definitely contribute to climate change. Please do your job and prevent the destruction of our national park reserves.

Thank you,

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