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Dear Governor Brown:

I am concerned about coastal oil drilling. Energy is important to our society and oil is an important component of that, though cleaner options are improving. Importing oil causes serious foreign policy distortions making oil wars much too tempting. Domestic extraction is dangerous and accidents cause serious injury to the public making significant regulation essential. The federal government appears bent on eliminating regulation without any thought of the effects having adjusted wildlife designations to allow drilling, eliminated protections implemented in light of the Deepwater Horizon accident, opened the Arctic Wildlife Refuge to drilling and most recently opened the entire coastline to drilling. Our previous policies were keeping the US energy independent even with oil prices remarkably low. California must work to counter this trend and keep our coasts clean.

Thank you for pushing to stop drilling off our coast.

I am very proud to be a California resident and a large part of that derives from our history of effective progressive policies.

Sincerely,
Eric Babson