From: Bradford G. Keithley
To: Dermot Cole
Subject: RE: Gleason decision
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Dermot … Thanks for your note. I enjoy your column and blog, read both regularly and find much in it that I agree with. This point is the exception, however. With all due respect, the fact that the oil production tail is going to extend longer than some have previously claimed strikes me as good news only for those of us that remain to turn out the lights on the economy. It means we can stay awhile longer before we do. As Scott Goldsmith, among others, have pointed out, however, with production falling below the levels necessary to fund state government at current levels (which is artificially propping up the economy through the operating and capital budgets), most of our peers will have left long before that, the economy will have shrunk to a fraction of its former self and life will be much different even for those of us that remain to the end. None of that strikes me as "good news" for Alaskans.

Again, thanks for your note. Great to hear from you.

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Bradford:

Production is important. That is obvious. But the key points in the Gleason decision are the contradictions that you have missed or ignored. The claim that the pipeline will shut down in 2021-2025 is false. The claim that the pipeline stops at 300,000 is false, according to BP's plan.
The decision is good news for Alaskans.

Dermot Cole

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