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Comments: Please note: the following comment supersedes previous comment that was inadvertently submitted by FS personnel in my name.

I have been an ANILCA cabin permittee since 1983, and the salmon setnet cabin has been in place since the 1950's. My permit only allows occupancy during the course of commercial fishing operations which restricts my use to four months annually. The remainder of the year my cabin is open to use by whomever chooses as I am not present to regulate use. Over the years there has been negligent use of fire within the cabin by unknown parties. Should my cabin sustain damage from fire or other damage I am currently restricted in my ability to rebuild, which poses a threat to my viability to continue as a participant in the commercial salmon fishery. I therefore strongly support the changes/deletions to ANILCA Facility Maintenance Ch 50 R10-X103 of the Special Use Handbook FSH 2709.11

The deletions/changes gives discretion to the Forest Supervisor to allow these cabins to remain a viable part of the Forest Service multiple use concept and allows permittees to rely on the traditional and customary use of cabins that have a long established history within the Forest. This arrangement helps foster a cooperative ethic between the FS and permittees as well as allows the long term use of cabins previously deemed a compatible use within the Forest.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comment.