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Comments: I cannot help but wonder if America values any of its wild lands. All we seem to do is to develop wild habitat into a Walmart, or a house, or a chain restaurant, or a mine. Can we ever value land as simply land? Our wildlife need habitat. We are facing an extinction event for a reason.

The Anthropocentric focus on land will not serve us well in the end. I understand that people had built these cabins prior to the land designation; however, there are times when sacrifices should be made for the benefit of the ecosystem. Not everything needs to be "developed", and the owners of these cabins had enough time grandfathered in to utilize their property. The sky will not fall if their progeny and their progeny's progeny don't get to make use of a cabin built within what is now, and should remain, federally protected wild land.