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Comments: As you know, in 1987 the U.S Forest Service (as directed by ANILCA) created a program that issued special-use permits for cabins that had been built without permits in wilderness areas. These permits were renewable every five years and nontransferable, terminating upon the death of the last immediate family member of the original claimant. The intent was to phase out these cabins which is managed for its wildness.

In other areas, such as the Minnesota Boundary Waters, the Forest Service has stuck to these rules. I have now learned the Forest Service is proposing to remove restrictions from these cabins. I believe cabins don't belong in designated Wilderness. The U.S. Forest Service must leave its policy unchanged and gradually phase out these ANILCA cabins as originally stated. Keep the area as true Wilderness.