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Comments: Cabins don't belong in designated Wilderness. The entire point of the original plan was to phase these out of use, not to allow a continual generational punt of avoiding telling the families who built these unauthorized structures 'no more', when the families clearly felt 'asking forgiveness rather than permission' would allow them to get away with it. You're letting them get away with it!

The only reason they should be allowed to stay at all is if they are providing some sort of sustained care and service to the land, not just a wrist slap permit fee. And even that is in violation of Wilderness.

The U.S. Forest Service must leave its policy unchanged and phase out ANILCA cabins, as was the original intent. These cabins were never meant to persist in Wilderness, and to change this policy would undermine ANILCA and the Wilderness Act. It also creates the precedent for violators to break the rules and then get away with using public land for private use.