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Comments: Cabins don't belong in designated Wilderness areas. The U.S. Forest Service must leave its policy unchanged and phase out ANILCA cabins, as was the original intent of the Alaska lands legislation. These cabins were never meant to persist in Wilderness, and to change this policy would undermine ANILCA and the 1964 Wilderness Act.

I can only speculate why the Forest Service has proposed removing restrictions from the cabin permits, including the number of times a permit for an ANILCA cabin may be reissued or who may be listed on that permit. For Wilderness, these changes could mean generations upon generations of a persisting structure, as clear violation of the 1964 act.

I suspect intense political pressure from Alaskan politicians and users of such cabins are behind this proposal. I respectfully urge the Forest Service to maintain existing restrictions on the cabins, with the aim of eliminating them in congressionally designated Wilderness areas.