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Comments: I understand the Forest Service is considering changing the status of the ANICLA cabins in Alaska. Current owners of the cabins have known for a long time that their occupancy of the cabins expires with the death of the last immediate heir of the lessee.

Cabins do not belong in Wilderness. But there's another reason the Forest Service should be cautious here. To change that understanding now would be to undermine the FS because allowing continuing use would demonstrate that a firm determinant of policy negotiated by the FS in one era doesn't have to be honored by successors of FS administration.

We need to be able to depend upon the government's word. To change the status of the cabins after firmly deciding their future in the past would be a disservice to the Forest Service.