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Comments: As a lifelong Alaskan, I am writing to express my support for the proposed policy change to establish a new "Alaska Traditional and Customary Use Cabin" designation and allow for the renewal and/or transfer of the related permits. This policy change would recognize the historical and cultural significance of the cabins that have been built and maintained by Alaskans for generations, and would provide them with more security and stability. I am appalled by the misinformation repeatedly cited in so many of the submitted comments by a spam campaign and people that have obviously never visited this region. These cabins were not unauthorized nor illegal at the time ANILCA was drafted and adopted. In the vastness of Alaska, there are only ~100 ANILCA cabins affected by this proposal that allow traditional use for families and friends, but are also significant safety lifelines for individuals that may find themselves lost, injured or in danger. Allowing these cabins to continue in perpetuity would have far more benefit than not allowing the changes.