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Comments: I do not believe the scoping letter contains enough information for the public to make informed decisions about these huts. I also believe that each hut presents unique conditions, environmental considerations, public impact, and should be considered as separate proposals and not lumped together. Due to these reasons, I stand firmly on the ground that this proposal should not be pursued until more information is provided and clearer public comment can be allowed.

I am an avid backcountry user and have recreated from each of the proposed build sites during the proposed operating seasons. It is unclear how much public use of the huts without paying exorbitant costs or requiring guides at heliotrope, Watson, and twin sisters would actually be allowed, if at all. Installing structures that are aimed at a limited and wealthy clientele seems to be a disservice to the general public and those who will not be able to use them but will have to deal with their impacts of heavy use, aesthetic degradation of the natural areas, and concerns of waste management.

Please pause movement on this proposal until more detailed information can be supplied to the public on costs, number of users, environmental impacts, and how these private structures will benefit the general public, as national forest lands should. Additionally, please allow each hut to be commented on as an individual proposal, as the decisions around each should be given unique consideration and not bundled into one.

Thank you.