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Comments: Many of the adult and youth guests of BYU Aspen Grove Family Camp have participated in a self guided hike to the summit of Mount Timpanogos for over 60 years. This experience has been a highlight and a wonderful memory of thousands of Aspen Grove guests over that time period and it is a favorite tradition for many, many of our guests. Having the shelter rebuilt in the area of Emerald Lake would provide the NEEDED temporary shelter during harsh, sudden, and unpredictable weather that is common during late summer and early fall. Many of the storms during that time come fast and produce a lot of rain, hail, snow, and wind. These conditions can very easily result in hypothermia to hikers even during the summer months. This shelter has provided a safe place to stay warm and dry or at least get out of the wet weather and dry off a little before proceeding on to the summit or back down the mountain. Emerald lake is located at a critical junction for hikers of determining whether to stop their hike or continue on to the summit. Since 1979 I have been hiking the Timpanogos trail to the summit for a total 9 times since then. I am planning my tenth hike in a month. I have personally benefited from this shelter and strongly encouraged that it be rebuilt. Thank you!