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Comments: Thank you for consideration of my comments on this important project. They are as follows:

*As I understand it, the Forest Service is responsible, first and foremost, to protect the wild character of the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness, not structures such as the Quinset hut, which degrades the area and is not necessary to administer the Wilderness.

*The Forest Service's policy on wilderness recognizes structures are not needed for visitor use, and visitors must be prepared for "inherent risks of adverse weather conditions, isolation, physical hazards, and lack of rapid communications, and that search and rescue may not be as rapid as expected in an urban setting."

*The Forest Service's plan to use helicopters and build a new improved structure is antithetical to Wilderness--the Act clearly precludes structures.

I ask that the Forest Service adopt an alternative to allow the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness to be wild by allowing the metal remnants of the Quonset hut to fade with time, or by using wilderness-compatible means, such as non-motorized/non-mechanized tools, to remove it.