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9/9/24 Forest Service: As a taxpayer and avid environmentalist, I am writing to object to the proposed implementation of an existing rule which you have published you intend to use to removed the remains of a quonset hut which was erected and is now labelled as the "Emerald Lake Shelter Reconstruction Project". Your use of the rule stands the preservation of the Emerald Lake Area on its head and ignores its legislative intent: that is, to preserve the land as God made it.

The use of mechanized equipment, helicopters, cranes, and who knows what else, flies in the face of "preservation in its natural state". Why can't you leave well enough alone? The elements will finish the job started by a prior weather event. Why do you insist on spending taxpayer dollars to do what the elements will complete in a short time? Do you have a favorite contractor who will win the bid to go where machines were not contemplated nor authorized?

STOP THIS NONSENSE AND DO YOUR JOB. Leave the Emerald Lake Area as is and let the shelter self destruct.