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Comments: Greetings,

A true wilderness area includes natural deterioration, including of old structures , which eventually break down and return to the soil, evidence of natural processes reclaiming the Wilderness from temporary human occupation. The structure in question, an aging and broken-down wooden hut, should be documented and then allowed to fade back into the earth.

The Forest Service's responsibility is to protect the wild character of this wilderness, not try to "save" a modern structure, like a Quinoset hut, which actually degrades the pristine character of a wilderness area. The Forest Service itself recognizes that such a structure isn't needed, indeed it degrades the very concept of wilderness which means: a pristine natural landscape, isolation, risks of adverse weather, physical hazards, and lack of modern comforts.

Please uphold the meaning and purpose of the Wilderness Act. Any proposal to build a new and improved structure is directly opposed to the entire concept of wilderness . The Forest Service must uphold the meaning and rules of the federal Wilderness Act. This means allowing the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness to be wild.

Two legal solutions exist: the use of non-mechanized tools to remove the structure or, even simpler, allowing the remnants of the Quonset hut to fade and mingle into the earth. Either of these solutions will work and not break the law and the rules set forth by the Wilderness Act.

Thank you for making the right decision regarding our esteemed wilderness areas.