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Comments: I wish to provide comment for the Emerald Lake Shelter Reconstruction Project.

As we've seen in wilderness areas across the United States, when any area receives an "update" or addition of shelters/buildings to allow for use by hikers, campers, groups, etc., many have taken away from the natural beauty and "wilderness" settings that existed prior to the projects.

Specifically to this project, tools other than hand tools, foundations that will require large machinery and trucks to come into the area to construct a base, and use of a helicopter to help get to the area are all things that send up a red flag that the wilderness area will lose not only some of its natural beauty but will disrupt any wildlife located in this area. The Wilderness Act does not indicate nor support structures in wilderness areas. That's why they're called wilderness-undisturbed by people and allowed to remain in their natural state.

In this day of high technology, surely there is an alternative that lets the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness remain untouched. The metal remains of the Quonset hut will deteriorate with time.

It is for these concerns that I submit my request to protect the current condition of Mount Timpanogos Wilderness in Utah by making no alterations to damaged structures located there.