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Comments: I am writing to oppose rebuilding the old Emerald Lake shelter in the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness. The Forest Service needs to keep our wilderness wild as intended when Congress designated it back in the '80s. This old hut was in place then but it is not needed in wilderness where those of us who hike or backpack or horseback in know enough to bring what we need for all weather. We don't want or expect to see structures when we are in a wilderness area.

Please remove this old hut and do so with non-motorarized methods. By all means NO HELICOPTERS in our wilderness. I can think of nothing the ruins a wilderness experience more than a helicopter coming in or over.

Please leave our wilderness and wilderness and DO NOT RENOVATE THIS OLD HUT.

Thank you,

Mark Ristow