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In my way of thinking the Forest Service's first responsibility should be to protect the wild character of the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness, and not any of the structures such as the Quinoset hut. These man made additions only degrades the area and is not necessary to administer the Wilderness.

It is the Forest Service's own wilderness policy that recognizes that a structure is not needed for visitor use, stating that visitors must be prepared on their own to face: " (1) inherent risks of adverse weather conditions, (2)isolation, (3)physical hazards, and (4)lack of rapid communications, and (5) that search and rescue may not be as rapid as expected in an urban setting."

Presently the Forest Service's proposal to use helicopters and build a new improved structure is antithetical to Wilderness. This is a perversion of the Wilderness Act to declare such a structure is part of the wilderness character of the area when the Act clearly precludes structures.

To stay within the Forest Service own mandate, they must adopt an alternative that lets the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness remain 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.