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Comments: Dear USDA Forest Service.

I'm writing to request a different approach to the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness' Quinoset hut. This hut degrades the area & Degrades the area amp; isn't necessary to administer the wilderness. And since the Forest Service's main responsibility is to protect the wild character of the wilderness, please do just that -- protect it -- instead of taking dramatic measures to rebuild the hut.

I'm against the Forest Service's proposal to use helicopters & Duild a new structure in place of the hut. This is not what Wilderness means, and frankly, it's a plan that's denies the rules put in place by the Wilderness Act. Declaring such a structure is part of the wilderness character of the area goes against the Act's intention to clearly keep out structures such as these.

The Forest Service must adopt an alternative that lets the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness be wild. This may mean removing the hut with non-motorized/non-mechanized tools, to remove it. Or, it may mean allowing the metal of the Quonset hut to erode over time. Either way, please use wilderness-compatible means to address this situation.

Many thanks for including my comments in your deliberations.

Sincerely,

K.P.