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Comments: I've hiked to Emerald Lake multiple and inspected the shelter, now uninhabitable due to damage incurred in an avalanche, and of no use in its present condition. This shelter would provide a safe place for hikers to shelter, for Search and Rescue support as a base, as well as Timpanogas Emergency Response Team (TERT) to stage for their mission of keeping small things small and assisting hikers in need of help (water, directions, first aid, etc.), with the end goal of reduction of emergency helicopter extractions by county SAR, or other Incident Command led hiker extractions. I believe there would be high value in reconstructing this shelter, which supports one of the busiest hiking routes in the state of Utah. During the process of planning any replacement, would further recommend evaluating locations in the same general area where chance of a repeat of the event that led to its destruction may be eliminated or at least reduced.