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Comments: I am writing to request the Forest Service take no action and not replace the metal Quonset Hut in the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness. There is no reason to replace the hut since it hasn't been used in over 40 years.

The Forest Service's first responsibility is to protect the wild character of the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness. The agency's own wilderness policy recognizes that a structure is not needed for visitor use, stating that visitors must be prepared on their own to face "inherent risks of adverse weather conditions, isolation, physical hazards, and lack of rapid communications, and that search and rescue may not be as rapid as expected in an urban setting."

Replacing the hut would be counter productive and would involve bringing materials in by helicopter, including motorized equipment, jackhammers, and cement mixers. Why spend money and disturb the area for an unnecessary project? Let the old hut fade away, and or remove the hut using wilderness appropriate means.

Thank you.