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Comments: The first responsibility of the Forest Service 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 and it states that visitors must be prepared to face 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.

The Forest Service must adopt an alternative that lets the Mount Timpanogos Wilderness be wild and let the metal remnants of the Quonset hut to fade with time or remove it using wilderness-compatible means. It is false to claim that it can't be dismantled (or even repaired) using traditional means, as the Forest Service built the hut without motorized equipment.

An Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is needed, especially because the Forest Service proposes a project in Wilderness involving helicopter flights, motorized equipment, jackhammers, cement mixers, and other motorized tools.