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Comments: Climbers should be free to recreate in our nation's wilderness and public lands, unless those lands are closed due to environmental concerns such as nesting species or other potential impact on flora and fauna. The pursuit of climbing on NFS lands should be void of any permanent structure to aid in the climb.

Having hiked, skied, hunted and camped on NFS lands, there are NFS lands/wilderness that have been inaccessible to me while in pursuit of my recreation due to vertical terrain, fording of rivers, unstable rock and traversing downfall. This inaccessibility is what makes NFS lands so special. Nature rules in this terrain and it truly is wilderness.

To allow climbers, or anyone else, wanting to use mechanized or permanent structures on NFS land/wilderness degrades what makes this NFS land such a special place. If a rock face can't be climbed without fixed anchors/bolts, then that makes our wilderness truly wild.

Placement of permanent structures to aid in climbing should be banned in NFS lands.