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Comments: Hello

Thank you so much for taking this important topic on. Rock climbing has a long history in the usfs and provides significant economic benefits.

However, it needs to be managed. User created trails, trash, human waste and bolts are all impacts to wilderness character. It will be a huge task to determine if a route supports unconfined recreation. The workload alone for the MRAF will be daunting. I support the usfs in evaluating routes bolts/installations in wilderness, but the precedent set for this will have far reaching effects. Please consider the costs of doing the NEPA and the MRAF, who will chose what is a good route, how many bolts are needed and who will be liable when bolts are not replaced.

Thank you again for taking this on. I support the idea of limiting old and new installations but encourage a slow and thoughtful process.