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Comments: As a climber, I want to ensure the safe and responsible use of fixed anchors in [Wilderness/national forests] remains available to the climbing community. I respect and advocate for the responsible use of Wilderness areas and believe that fixed anchors can be a component of a sustainable Wilderness experience. Please revise your climbing guidance to reflect the practice and precedent of the last 60+ years-that fixed anchors for climbing can be used, replaced, and maintained in designated [Wilderness/national forest] areas.

These anchors are key to keeping climbers safe, and the banishment of them is a head in the sand kind of approach. These will certainly not go away, and climbers will continue to do what they can to keep each other safe in the vertical. We have rights similar to other user groups (ie horse packers, fly fishers) all who have had trails exploded and permanent camps set in wilderness for their businesses.