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Comments: As a climber, and climbing guide who works on Forest Service land in Arizona, California, Utah, and Washington, I want to ensure the safe and responsible use of fixed anchors in 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 National Forest areas.