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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. As a user of Santa Fe National Forest, kit carson national forest, jemez national forest, and cibola national forest I fear my use of these public resources would be restricted by the proposed regulations on maintaining and placing fixed hardware. Please consider maintaining the current precedent allowing climbers to maintain there own hardware.