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Comments: Climbing is an appropriate use of Forest Service lands. Climbing and mountaineering have been happening in some areas even before they were part of the Forest Service. The safe and responsible use of fixed anchors in should continue to be available to the climbing community. Modern fixed anchors are already 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 on USFS lands.