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Comments: Please do not restrict the responsible use of fixed anchors for the following reasons:

- 1. Anchors are an essential part of a climber's safety system.
- 2. Fixed anchors have been allowed and responsibly managed for decades.
- 3. Fixed anchors need management to keep from being a safety concern.
- 4. Prohibition of fixed anchors obstructs the appropriate exploration of wilderness areas.
- 5. Prohibition of fixed anchors threatens America's rich climbing history.

Restricting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-Wilderness lands is unenforceable and will create confusion amongst land managers and climbers.