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Comments: Fixed anchors are an essential piece of climbers safety systems and are not classified as "prohibited installations" under the wilderness act, and should not be amended to be made as such. It is completely unreasonable for federal agencies to create new policies prohibiting fixed anchors when they have allowed, managed and given authority to said anchors for several decades. Creating fixed anchors prohibitions would create unnecessary obstacles to those who carry out regular maintenance on anchors, a task which is more often than not taken on by the climbing community itself, and thus forth would create unnecessary risk to our community. The elimination of fixed anchors threatens rich American climbing history as it would erase some of the most renowned routes known around the globe. Overall, prohibition of the installation and regular maintenance of fixed anchors in Americas Wilderness areas is all round a bad idea and rather moronic as it creates more problems than it fixes.