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Comments: Banning fixed protection would ruin outdoor climbing for most Americans. In addition, not allowing climbing protection will increase the safety risk for nearly all climbers. If you think this proposal is reasonable approach to managing the wilderness, you have clearly never been to Utah where they allow 4 off road vehicles to drive all over beautiful rock outcrops, tearing out plants and leaving black rubber tracks all over the place. Please reconsider the cost benefit analysis of this proposal on the future of outdoor recreation. Climbing has much less impact than many other outdoor pursuits.