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Comments: I am commenting to remark on the danger that this poses to the climbing community.

Fixed anchors are an essential piece of climbers' safety system and are not prohibited "installations" under the Wilderness Act. Following existing climbing policies that allow judicious use of fixed anchors for more than a half century will do more to protect Wilderness character while providing for primitive and unconfined Wilderness climbing.

It is normal to get to the top of a climb and expect an anchor there. If these anchors are unable to be maintained, climbers will get to the top of a route and inevitably use anchors (however rusty and sketchy they've gotten) and potentially hurt themselves. It's essential that these can be maintained by replacing them over time.

Thank you,

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