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Comments: Rock climbing has become one of the most popular outdoor recreational activities in the past two decades. Nearly everyone I know rock climbs at some point every year. Rock climbing is a valid and wonderful extension to hiking and backpacking. I am very concerned that your proposal will affect the outdoor experience and safety of climbers going forward.

Please do not restrict the establishment of new routes on non-wilderness land. This will create confusion amongst land managers and climbers. Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural and natural resources.

Thank you for your consideration,

Pamela Neal, climber, teacher, mother, proud American citizen