Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/8/2024 4:27:21 PM First name: Brian Last name: Eck Organization: Title: Comments: Hello,

I am writing to encourage you to reconsider the ban on fixed climbing anchors in wilderness areas. Fixed anchors are an essential part of climbing safety and have been permitted for decades. Prohibiting fixed anchors will threaten America's rich climbing legacy and could erase some of the world's greatest climbing achievements. Climbing management policy needs to protect existing routes from removal.

As an active American climber, I urge you to consider these items. Thank you very much.

Brian Eck