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Comments: To Whom it may concern,

I write this brief consideration and request on the topic of Fixed Anchors and Fixed Equipment in National Parks services, State parks, and Forest Service Lands . I can say with sincerity, visiting our beautiful country's national parks has greatly impacted and inspired my LIFE, perspective of existence, in such a Powerful and Positive way. I believe, as President Roosevelt and John Muir felt, that preserving these natural, non-man-made environments will be essential to the future of humanity and it's well being, in an every growing and expanding material culture. My experience in these parks evolved into enjoying them from a mountaineering and climbing medium as well- which further cemented my respect for the places, the people and systems that protect and manage them, as well as the potential for human growth and discovery. This would not at all have been possible without the use of fixed anchors and equipment to ensure both my personal safety, as well as the safety of those before me, and to come after my time here on earth. This is comparative to the very ROADS and infrastructures that take us to the protected lands to enjoy, and be in AWE. I do not see a solution or benefit to removal and or negligence of these 'safety systems' from the parks for people to enjoy-which is why we have the parks in the first place. Please tell me why we are not allowed to pick up trash that is 50 years of age, and at the same time, one wants to removed historcal relics-nay-products of safety from the public?

The ability for any citizen or visitor to experience a National Forest Land, to see true nature, to camp, and recreate within designated limits and boundaries, this freedom is paramount to the well being of our society and humanity as a whole. Pisgah National Forest, for example, is my church, my current refuge and sacred place to recharge from the city life. If this were to dissapear, and certain ways of enjoying and protecting this natural gem and landscape-because one cannot have access, or safe access to recreate because of fixed anchor laws-I truly and not sure what I will do to remain a healthy person.

Please take time to be in silence, and to consider the impact this proposal will have on future generations to come. May your decisions be blessed.

Thank you for your considerations

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