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Comments: I believe that climbing is a legitimate and historical use of Wilderness within the confines of USFS lands. Limiting the use of fixed anchors within those lands is essentially prohibiting climbing itself. Furthermore, prohibiting the use of fixed anchors or blocking replacement of fixed anchors creates known and significant safety issues, diminishes the historical legacy of climbing, and will create distance and acrimony between an important user group and the administration of these lands.

Working WITH climbers on the management of fixed anchors in wilderness is easier, less expensive, and less confrontational than what is being proposed in the latest management plan.