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Comments: I do not support any removal of fixed hardware from climbing routes anywhere in the United States or under forest service jurisdiction. I became a climber in college and have climbed on forest service land in wilderness in South Dakota, Idaho, Washington, and Wyoming. Much of the climbing I have done would not be possible without fixed hardware. Adding new fixed gear should be a regulated process and it currently is to my understanding so there is no need to make a change. I would be very disappointed if I were never to be able to take my children on some of the routes I have been on if a policy change made them unsafe or impossible to climb. I do support the funding of projects to repair or replace existing fixed gear where necessary but having worked for the forest service and with various other government agencies the verbiage of relating to available funding is concerning as I know how hard it can be to get funding for certain projects.