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Comments: As an avid climber deeply committed to preserving the delicate balance between recreation and conservation, I have significant reservations regarding the proposed guidelines by the National Forest Service (NFS) for climbing and anchors. While recognizing the importance of environmental protection, the NFS guidelines introduce a regulatory framework that may disrupt the long-standing tradition of self-regulation within the climbing community. The emphasis on a Minimum Requirements Analysis for fixed anchors in wilderness areas, the establishment of approach routes as NFS trails, and the issuance of recreation special use permits raise concerns about increased bureaucracy and potential restrictions that could impede the organic and dynamic nature of climbing. Additionally, the guidelines' impact on the climbing industry and the reliance on volunteer involvement without clear mechanisms for effective collaboration warrant a closer examination. Until there's more clarity on how these guidelines will be implemented and how the concerns of the climbing community will be addressed, I cannot fully support the NFS guidelines in their current form.