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Comments: Climbing has been a traditional and historically appropriate use of wilderness areas. As a Search and Rescue volunteer, I feel that the use of fixed anchors on wilderness climbing routes provides for a safer environment for this appropriate use of the public land; reducing accidents, injuries, and use of search and rescue and emergency resources. Please revise your climbing guidance to reflect the practice and precedent of the last 60+ years-that fixed anchors for climbing can be used, replaced, and maintained in designated [Wilderness/national forest] areas."