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Comments: Hi,

Fixed anchors are a lifeline for climbers, crucial for safety, and shouldn't be banned as "installations" under the Wilderness Act. We've followed climbing policies allowing responsible fixed anchor use for over half a century, preserving Wilderness character while providing an authentic climbing experience.

It's unreasonable for federal agencies to suddenly forbid fixed anchors nationwide, when they've long allowed and managed them. Such a ban could even risk safety by hindering anchor maintenance and critical decisions climbers make in the moment.

A ban also obstructs the exploration of Wilderness areas. Please let climbers navigate vertical terrain with flexibility, safety, and responsibility in their experience.

Lastly, it could erase our rich climbing legacy and world-class achievements. We must protect existing routes to preserve climbing's cultural and recreational heritage.