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Comments: Restricting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-Wilderness lands is unenforceable and will create confusion for land managers and climbers. Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural and natural resources.

Please consider the budgetary demands that will be created on forest services agencies to assume ownership of maintenance, training for placements and maintenance and labor, if the partnership of volunteers from the climbing community is suddenly forced to rescind assistance of route maintenance and establishment.