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Comments: Dear Trusted Land Managers,

I hope this message finds you well. I'm reaching out to voice my concerns about the proposed ban on fixed climbing anchors in wilderness areas.

These anchors are a crucial part of climbers' safety systems, and their judicious use has been allowed for over half a century. Banning them now could jeopardize safety and hinder regular maintenance, which is a responsibility the climbing community takes seriously.

Creating new policies against fixed anchors seems unreasonable, especially when federal agencies have permitted and managed them for decades. Let's not hinder climbers' ability to make critical safety decisions in the moment.

Moreover, prohibiting fixed anchors obstructs exploration in Wilderness areas. We need the flexibility to navigate complex terrains responsibly.

This ban could erase our climbing legacy and impact some of the world's greatest achievements. I urge you to reconsider and protect our climbing heritage as well as a generation of advocates for the outdoors.

Thanks for your time.

Best,

Alex