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Comments:

As a climber, I want to ensure the safe and responsible use of fixed anchors in National Forest land remains available to the climbing community. I respect and advocate for the responsible use of Wilderness areas and believe that fixed anchors can be a component of a sustainable Wilderness experience. I have used fixed anchors many times and am thankful they were there. Compared to the damage that other forms of recreation inflict on the ecosystem, fixed anchors are benign. 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 National Forest areas.