Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/18/2024 10:56:28 PM

First name: Rowan Last name: Anon Organization:

Title:

Comments: Climbing has always been in my life. I grew up with my dad climbing, and his dad climbing. Decades of experience and love for the wilderness. Both the protection and enjoyment of wilderness areas is dear to our hearts. We have been able to enjoy the beautiful areas we all appreciate because the establishment of sustainable and safe route equipment. This includes permanent anchors. Permanent anchors allows for the safe climbing and lowering off routes, and without them, the risk factor increases dramatically, as would the need for more and more S&R recourses.

There are few people more dedicated to the restoration and protection of wilderness areas than climbers. We love the mountains and want to protect them as well as enjoy them. I urge the policy of banning fixed equipment to be revised and allow the continued use of this equipment that has already been in place for decades, and allow for decades more of fantastic American climbing.