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Comments: Hello, I am writing to provide feedback and recommendations for the addition of Section 2355 -

Climbing Opportunities to the FSM.

I believe fixed anchors are essential safety equipment, and not "prohibited installations" under the Wilderness Act. Restricting their use, and providing obstacles to their installation, will could inadvertently increase risk. We should be incentivizing safe and responsible anchor placement instead.

Delaying, obstructing, or prohibiting new fixed anchors is detrimental to the safe exploration of America's wilderness areas. I do not believe that we should restrict the establishment of new routes and climbing development to "existing climbing opportunities." This unnecessarily limits our ability to experience new places and have new adventures. It is also unenforceable, and will create confusion between land managers and climbers.

Lastly, existing routes and fixed anchors should be protected at all costs. Please, at an absolute minimum, protect existing routes from removal. This could not only erase important climbing history, but provide a significant safety risk.