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Comments: Hello,

I'd like to express my gratitude to the USFS for providing a platform for public input. The dedication of Forest Service personnel to the land is truly commendable.

I'm reaching out regarding the FSM 2355 directive. It's evident that considerable effort has been invested in understanding climbing dynamics and regulations on NFS and Wilderness land. I agree with its reasonable scope, aligning with the shared goal of preserving natural qualities.

While I may not be well-versed in policy writing, climbers like myself excel in climbing and route development. We value the preservation of natural areas and the safety of climbing installations.

Recognizing the challenges Forest Service employees face, I empathize as a Research Assistant in a similar setting. The additional task of creating a "climbing management plan" may strain resources further. I hope there's understanding for climbers' concerns about the FSM 2355 directive.

Although the directive looks promising on paper, there's apprehension about its effective implementation. The fear of bureaucratic obstacles leading to future prohibitions weighs heavily on climbers. My plea is for collaboration to streamline processes and find ways climbers can assist, easing the burden on Forest Service personnel.

Thank you for caring for the areas I cherished in my youth. I appreciate your consideration.

Kindly,

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