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Comments: I am against fixed climbing anchors being allowed in Wilderness because the Wilderness Act prohibits installations and structures which would degrade the wilderness characteristics of the area. The purpose of the Wilderness Act is to protect Wilderness in its natural, untrammeled state, which the USFS

would not be doing if it allowed permanent anchors to be installed in rock formations.

For climbers seeking developed climbing opportunities, there are ample permanently bolted climbs outside of designated Wilderness areas.

Additionally, any specific proposals for permanent fixed anchor installations in Wilderness must be subjected to public notice and an opportunity for public comment pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Regards,

Jimmy Juel