

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/23/2024 5:42:21 PM

First name: Grady

Last name: McNett

Organization:

Title:

Comments: I disagree with the proposal to limit or eliminate fixed anchors or bolts by classifying them as prohibited installations under the Wilderness Act. I am an avid outdoors enthusiast visiting national parks, state parks, and our wilderness areas. I enjoy hiking, back packing, kayaking, climbing, and other outdoor activities with my family. Fixed bolts blend into the rock and are not noticed unless some one is actively climbing. More importantly, they offer significant safety and protection on climbing routes. If they are removed or no longer allowed, many who visit the outdoors will face additional safety risks or may have to forgo an activity they would otherwise enjoy. Bolts are needed to ensure that the public remains safer when enjoying the outdoors.