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Comments: Hi,

The proposed changes to regulation around fixed climbing anchors is substantially out of character with the intentions of the Wilderness Act and National Forest Service. Fixed anchors are typically invisible until you are right at them - far from the other actual "installations" created by governing entities. They are by nature ALWAYS less intrusive than even a hiking trail, and they facilitate an appropriate use and treatment of wild landscapes. As has evolved elsewhere, regulations specific to certain areas, governed locally, absolutely make sense in higher traffic destinations, and I am not opposed to such regulations. But the blanket outlawing of existing and future fixed anchors is an archaic, draconian approach, and I urge you not to support the proposed regulation in its current state.

You know those rules and regs that you come across sometimes, for an area in which you are an expert, and when you read them it's laughable how ignorant the authors must have been? This is one of those. Do you want to put your name on it?

Regards,

Adam Sanders