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Comments: Please do not move forward with this fixed anchor ban.

Restricting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-Wilderness lands is unenforceable and will create confusion amongst land managers and climbers. Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural and natural resources.

Modern climber are not like the climbers of the past. Modern climbers are very aware of the fragile ecosystem on which we tread. The leave no trace ethic is instilled in each and every climber. Climbing areas are treasured and taken care of by climbers for climbers.

Climbing to some may seem like a silly little hobby, but to us it is the reason to get out of bed in the morning. It is a feeling of freedom that is imposible to achieve in any other persuit. It is as American as it gets. It is important that we, as Americans, can use our public lands. Do we not pay for those lands? Please reconsider this ban. You may try to regulate our wilderness to death, but you CANNOT regulate our freedom to death. We will follow our passions.