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Comments: I oppose your proposal to allow both agencies propose to authorize Fixed Climbing Anchors and

Fixed Climbing Equipment in National Park Service Wilderness Areas.

These proposed policies would elevate recreation (i.e., crock climbing or "alpinism") above wilderness protection and permanently scar and degrade Wilderness through the installation of fixed climbing anchors.

I have no opposition to "free climbing" without fixed anchors, which does not mar or degrade the Wilderness.

This Wilderness land is MY LAND held in common for all the General Welfare of all, not just a few wealthy and selfish would-be mountain climbers. Allowing fixed anchors to mar and degrade these public lands is tantamount to allow horse riders pack animals and their manure on pedestrian-only hiking trails, allowing photographers to install game cameras along wildlife trails, or sightseeing helicopter flights over into Wilderness areas.