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Comments: I fully support enforcing wilderness regulations on climbers, just as the regulations are enforced on any other activity in a wilderness designated area. It seems climbers believe they are above the rules and regulations all others abide by and they often create human impacts within wilderness areas that negatively impact the enjoyment of people pursuing other activities. One example I have personally come across more than once are rats nests of sun-bleached nylon and dyneema slings used for rappelling wrapped around rocks, and these were all in areas that are accessible without roped climbing.

However, I would caution against the wholesale chopping of anchors on established climbing routes, because climbers will simply start using things like tree trunks for anchors, which can quickly cause enough damage to outright kill trees by damaging outer bark. I think there needs to be cooperation between the USFS and groups like Access Fund in order to identify any problem areas and come up with fair solutions.