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Comments: Climbing has been one of the best things to ever happen to me. Through climbing I've been able to explore and cherish so many national parks and beautiful places. Small and normally extremely hard to see fixed anchors are an essential piece to keep climbers safe and enjoy these places. Fixed anchors should not be classified as "installations" with how minimal they are. It took me years to fully understand climbing and this is an area that needs careful, educated, and nuanced thought.

Fixed anchors have been allowed for decades and have caused little issue while allowing climbers and the park service to exist together peacefully. Fixed anchors are needed in the wilderness to prevent drastic safety issues from occurring.

Climbing in the wilderness is truly a special, low impact, and minimally invasive activity that generations have enjoyed and should be able to continue to enjoy. No activity compares to climbing for me and lets me interact with our wilderness in such a way. Tiny almost invisible fixed anchors are essential to that activity and I implore you to please reconsider classifying these as "installations".