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Comments: I would like to make a comment about the upcoming decision on fixed anchors with respect to rock climbing in National lands. Fixed anchors and their maintenance is of pivotal importance for rock climbing in order to maintain safety. Fixed anchors do wear out over time and require replacement with some frequency. Restricting the replacement of fixed hardware would make the climbing of existing routes unsafe. Restricting the use of fixed anchors will also limit the exploration possible where an immediate safety concern could necessitate their use. The U.S. has a long history of exploration and adventure sports such as rock climbing and unilateral across the board restrictions will cripple the continuation of that history and stifle new exploration. I implore you to reevaluate your prospective decision and allow our climbing community to continue to enjoy and project these natural resources as we always have.