Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/28/2024 6:58:36 PM First name: Catherine Last name: Cullinane Organization: Title: Comments: Dear USFS, I am writing in regards of the prohibition of fixed anchors and bolts in Wilderness Areas. I would like to make a small statement.

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.

it is important to continue to have fixed anchors (bolts, climbing gear, slings) for the safety of the climbers. These anchors have minimal impact on non-climbers, who most likely never see them.

If on Indigenous Lands, and it is offensive to the Native Culture, the anchors should possibly be restricted. Thank you for your consideration on this important topic to American climbers, and visiting global climbers. Sincerely,

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