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Comments: Hello!

My name is Erik Dyvad and i am a climbing enthusiast, i have strong opinions about prohibiting climbing anchors in national parks.

Climbing has such a beautiful and rich history throughout the parks, and will continue to be a special part of my life, and the life's of many others. Climbing has taken me to so many special places, and has brought so many people into my life because of this access in the parks and other locations in this beautiful world. The fixed anchors are an essential part of safety for climbers, and are not prohibited installations under the wilderness act. These anchors have been allowed, managed and authorized for decades and seems to be unreasonable for federal agencies to create new guidance polices prohibiting these. Banning or prohibiting fixed anchors will also create safety issues, by putting in place unnecessary obstacles for regular maintenance that would be normally be taken care of by the climbing community. To try and prohibit these fixed anchors will threaten America's rich climbing legacy. Please don't restrict the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities", i believe it will create confusion of land owners and climbers.

## Please don't do it!

Climbing is my life, and i would hate for it to have more obstacles in the way of enjoying my passion and hobby safely