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Comments: Hi,

I am a climber that opposes the new policies that are being suggested to be implemented.

I have been climbing for 20 years and think that these new policies would limit climbing more than necessary. I understand the need to manage these areas for all user groups, however limiting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" is an overburden to the land managers as well as the climbing communities that rely heavily on forest service land for their outdoor recreation. Climbing is becoming more popular and I agree that land managers should be a part of the conversation but as climbing grows we need more areas for the user group to spread out and seek new opportunities. Otherwise we will over populate areas and could end up causing more damage.

Please allow local land managers to work with local organizations on how to best approach individual situations and needs.

Thank You Dean Raynes