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Comments: I am strongly opposed to any decisions that would remove, limit, or prevent climbing anchors or bolts from being used on public lands. Climbing gear - such as anchors and bolts - make climbing much safer, so decisions to limit this safety gear is likely to lead to more accidents and potentially serious or fatal injuries. Public lands are meant to be used by the public. I don't see how allowing climbing gear is any more harmful to public or the health of the nature than allowing hiking/biking trails or logging. Additionally, climbing gear is very unobtrusive. People need to be quick close to a climbing route to even see fixed gear. As a climber, it can often be hard to find fixed gear even at the base of a route when I know what I'm looking for. I almost never meet non-climbers on trails at the side of cliffs looking at the cliff face - the idea that this gear is obtrusive to other people is ridiculous. Please reconsider any measures to limit climbing gear such as anchors and bolts on public lands.