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Comments: RE Non-Wilderness

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.

Much of American rock climbing occurs on USFS non-Wilderness land. The new proposal would deny future generations the right to explore and climb new routes.

Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural or natural resources.