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Comments: I oppose the classification of fixed anchors as prohibited installations. Fixed anchors permit the safe use of wilderness area for climbers. Climbers need to be able to make reasonable decisions on anchor placement in the moment. Removing existing fixed anchors takes away opportunities for future climbers to participate in climbing's history. Climbers and land managers have done a good job of policing anchor placement and management. There is no need to change the designation. New routes with fixed anchors should be allowed as long as climbing is an acceptable use of forest service lands.