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Comments: I believe that the proposed policy to prohibit fixed anchors in wilderness areas would greatly harm climbing in the US.

Climbing is an important part of the history of the US outdoors, and continues to be a strong and growing outdoor recreation. Fixed anchors are an integral part of letting us explore the vertical world in a safe way. Prohibiting or restricting anchors will make climbing much less safe, and serve as a way to prohibit climbing itself outdoors.

The proposed Protecting America's Rock Climbing Act and America's Outdoor Recreation Act supports climbing while providing a way to have the different agencies work together to make a common approach. Let's use that to be the way we move forward, rather than an outright ban!

Thank you.