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Comments: In regards to the upcoming proposal to ban or restrict the use of fixed anchors in wilderness areas, I would like to encourage the planning department to take a broader view on this. As a Canadian, I love to visit the US on my holidays and bring my family to enjoy their beauty and rock climb. We have been doing this for many years. The restriction of fixed anchors creates safety hazards for climbers and frankly I don't see the issue of allowing them. Fixed anchors are barely visible even to those that use them and provide safe access and egress from the mountains and cliffs.

Climbing history is rich in your country and I would hate to see the places I love restricted and my tourism dollars spend elsewhere. Please reconsider this action.

Best regards, Jeff Clare