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Comments: Dear USFS and whom it may concern:

As an avid climber and outdoor enthusiast, I am deeply committed to the conservation of Wilderness areas. and believe we need guidelines for managing fixed anchors in Wilderness. While I support the intent of the current guidelines for managing fixed anchors in Wilderness, I don't think that the Minimum Requirements Analysis, in its current form, adequately addresses the complexities of fixed anchor management. I propose adopting a more robust and clear framework that:

- (1) Explicitly defines fixed anchors, categorizing them based on their specific use cases within Wilderness areas.
- (2) Implements a more effective process for managing these anchors, one that goes beyond the current Minimum Requirements Analysis.
- (3) Grants individual Park and Forest Services greater autonomy in tailoring management strategies to the unique characteristics and needs of the lands they oversee.

Please revise the guidelines to incorporate these elements to ensure the long-term preservation of wilderness. Feel free to reach out if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Best regards,

Michael