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past generations have had the privilege to explore.

Comments: I am suggesting that improvements be made to the guidance as I agree more guidance would be useful however, a ban must be avoided. Fixed anchors are a critical piece of climbers safety system and under the wilderness act are not prohibited. Climbing anchors have been allowed and managed for decades in wilderness areas and to change that now makes little sense. Removing the right to them will only make climbing and maintenance more confusing and unsafe for climbers all across the country. The US is one of the most rich and historic climbing meccas in the world, please don't threaten access to exploring and experiencing the things

In addition, confusion about climbing areas is already enough of an issue without specifying and limiting to already established routes. The confusion between climbers and land managers will be excessive if limiting to pre established routes exists.