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Comments: For decades, climbers have worked to establish harmonious relationships with our natural resources and those governing them. The United States of America offers many unique outdoor recreation opportunities that, on deep levels, connect us to the land, our country, and ourselves. It would be a tragedy of the highest order to reduce and restrict the availability of this great resource and make climbing less available and less safe by reducing the ability of responsible users to establish safety resources including fixed anchors on climbs.

Please consider the historic and recreational value of climbing in the wilderness and please do not take drastic, unnecessary actions to damage a user group that fundamentally respects and holds in high value the land we are lucky enough to have in our home country.

Please do not remove or ban further fixed anchor placements. Groups like the Access Fund can help with responsible management of these important climbing resources. Instead of sweeping action, please allow local and national climbing advocacy groups to work with the land managers to ensure as much safe, responsible access as possible to these great resources.

Thank you