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Comments: Dear USFS,

I am a US based sport climber and am writing to voice my opinion against the Fixed Anchors and Fixed Equipment in National Park Service Wilderness Areas.

Climbers are part of a community that treasure the outdoors, and prohibiting fixed anchors would eliminate essential safety measures for our community. Our community has relied on fixed anchor and fixed equipment for over 60 years, and it is unprecedented to restrict the usage when they have been allowed, managed, and authorized. Being able to maintain fixed anchors and safely rely on the anchor upkeep would allow climbers to carry on the traditions for the legacy of climbing, especially for our younger generations. Instead of legislation to prohibit fixed anchors, there can be policy created to help maintain the fixed anchors that not only provides safety to climbers, but also wilderness preservation for our future generations.

Sincerely,

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