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Comments: Dear USFS

I am a rock climber of more than 20 years and have enjoyed visiting many of our wilderness areas and national forests across the USA during this time. Having access to safe and responsible climbing anchors has been critical in allowing me to explore these beautiful areas over the years- experiences that I value tremendously.

In this context, I urge you to allow for the safe use, maintenance, and ongoing development of fixed climbing anchors in wilderness areas and national forests. I believe this a practice that can be done with minimal impact to our lands while also facilitating a safe land use experience for the broader climbing community.

Please revise your climbing guidance to reflect the practice and precedent of the last 60+ years-that fixed anchors for climbing can be used, replaced, and maintained in designated areas!