Data Submitted (UTC 11): 1/30/2024 9:13:25 PM First name: Ron Last name: Palustre Organization: Title: Comments: I would like to provide crucial points to the discussion of the bolt prohibition:

Restricting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-Wilderness lands is unenforceable and will create confusion amongst land managers and climbers. Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural and natural resources.

Ultimately, the prohibition would do much more harm than good for the climbing community at large, while simultaneously putting more risk/strain into the hands of the NPS & amp; USFS itself. Please consider these extremely important factors on this decision.