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Comments: Wilderness isn't exclusive, in fact the diverse, intact and robust ecosystem benefits us with its inherent, healthy wholeness and is a principal reason why we must preserve and enjoy it.

Fixed anchors are subtle and sparse, not a blight on the landscape, and their use was never intended to be excluded nor prohibited by the framers of the 1964 Wilderness Act. Climbing is a legitimate and appropriate use of wilderness and fixed anchors are an essential piece of climbers' safety systems. Climbing activities can fulfill important park and wilderness recreational purposes and prohibiting fixed anchors will create safety issues. I urge you to consider the repercussions of prohibiting fixed anchors and the impacts it will have on the safety of current and future generations of climbers seeking the impactful experiences the American wilderness has to offer.

Thank you for your consideration.