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Comments: I along with many other canyoneers are frustrated by the proposed "Evaluation and Authorization Procedures for Fixed Anchors and Fixed Equipment in National Park Service Wilderness Areas."

I am concerned that these new procedures will lead land managers to close areas where we recreate, the places where we take great care to use natural anchors when possible, bolt when necessary, set anchors in such a way as to avoid rope scars, and vigilantly check to make sure anchors are safe.

It seems unreasonable to expect that federal land managers will somehow develop the resources to to be able to check on anchors.

If you must develop procedures on this issue, please do so in a way that ensures that canyoneers and climbers can continue to make responsible use of our fantastic public lands as we currently do.

Thank you for your work and concern for the land. We share your love of wilderness. Best,

Karl Jarvis