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Comments: I am opposed to the proposed directive. Outdoor enthusiasts have the same goals and desire to keep the wilderness wild as the NFS. I'm general climbers are among the most fanatic about preserving the natural beauty and respecting the land. Outdoor enthusiasts already have a proven history of self-regulating damaging and undesirable behavior e.g. the Leave No Trace movement, and from private organizations such as The Mountaineers and Sierra Club. This directive will lead to more confusion about who and where low-impact climbing can occur. It will also add an increased burden to other climbing areas with fewer restrictions, leading to increased damage to those areas. I think problems caused by the climbing community can be addressed on a case by case basis, instead of creating unneeded confusion.