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Comments: Climbing was the first thing to get me out into national forest areas, and without the safety provided by limited bolts and anchors, i would have missed some of the best moments of my life. fifteen years later, it is still the primary way i interact with the usfs. I think the 60+ years of precedent of safety and responsible use climbers have shown is a more than ample dataset to prove that sparsely placed bolts and other permanent anchors are a more than acceptable use of national forest areas. I not only think fixed anchors are a safe way to use national forests, but I think it is both safer and less visually impacting than the alternatives climbers will be forced to use if this guidance moves forward.

Please revise your guidance to reflect the ample history climbers have of placing safe and responsible fixed anchors. As a community we are more than capable of using, maintaining and replacing fixed anchors in national forests.