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Comments: The draft language that would classify fixed anchors as prohibited installations is a head-scratching proposal that would undo decades of American climbing progress. Additionally, it will create safety issues for climbers who continue to recreate in these wilderness areas. These new rules will be difficult or impossible to enforce, and will inevitably cause confusion between climbers and the USFS. It is at odds with the interests of land users, and will have little actual benefit to anyone or the environment. This language must be reconsidered and redrafted to reflect the will of the public.