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Comments: Climbing has a long history. I've had the privilege of being mentored by one of the first climbers here in Tucson, who helped make climbing on Mount Lemmon what it is. I've heard the stories of the history of climbing here, and have come to understand what goes into creating these routes that so many people enjoy. If our anchors are prohibited, this history will merely be history- we won't be able to experience, ponder, or be apart of it.

PLEASE, if the USFS Climbing Management plan goes through, it will break my heart. Climbing has become such an integral part of my life over the last 5 years- it is my biggest joy, and helps me get through this life. It has so much to offer- and I believe so many other people feel this way. If we can't have anchors, we won't be able to climb because they are absolutely necessary for our safety. I believe that we can work together to better our community and the very special land that we enjoy. Climbers, I know, appreciate the land and have a very special and unique connection to the earth. We have a lot to offer, and are already an aspect in the Coronado National Forest.

I really appreciate your time in reading this, and for all the good your organization does, but PLEASE allow us to keep our anchors. Thank you so much.