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Comments: I am concerned that the bureaucracy put in place by this directive will result in an effective ban on climbing. My local climbing area has around 2,500 routes and with approximately 10 fixed anchors per route that's approximately 25,000 fixed anchors. I don't know what resources it will take to review and approve the need and maintenance of these fixed anchors, but if the forest service cannot to so in a timely manner, I don't see how climbing can still be maintained in this area. While I understand the desire to regulate the placement of fixed anchors, but it must be done in a sustainable manner that can allow regulation and climbing to coexist. I am against the current directive, and I encourage the forest service to continue talks with the access fund, American alpine club, and other local climbing organizations to come up with a more manageable solution.