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Comments: I have been recreating and climbing on USFS lands, wilderness, and not, since I was introduced to them as a middle schooler. The ability to freely recreate is an important part of my ability to enjoy our public lands. I was delighted when the EXPLORE act passed, but I have a few concerns to help make the intent of the act effective in the real world.

It sounds like much of the implementation of the Act is contingent on CMP's (Climbing management plans) or SUPs being developed for each Forest. But these take many many years to develop, as in there have only been a handful implemented since I began climbing in 1994. Climbers' abilities to replace, maintain, and establish new anchors cannot remain contingent on an under-resourced agency's ability to implement a plan that hasn't been passed yet. We need an explicit stipulation that broadly permits maintenance of existing routes - bolt replacement, etc. - and does not restrict people's ability to go to new places and establish safe anchors on new routes to get up and down without incident. Climbing and fixed anchor use should continue as has been recently practiced in each land management unit up until a CMP and/or SUP is finalized.