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Comments: We can't pass this directive as it stands now. Anchors and other gear set up in the wilderness needs to be present and accessible for safe climbing. Bolts, pitons, and slings that technical climbers have used to safely ascend and descend technical faces since well before Congress passed the Wilderness Act-should NOT be prohibited "installations" in Wilderness areas. We need to be able to climb safely and with this new directive safety would be at risk. I don't think the forest service or other wilderness entities should be involved in bolt management and replacement.