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Comments: I'd like to voice my strong opposition to this measure.

It is ultimately unsafe and disrespectful to a rich history of outdoor use in these areas.

While there's room for more leave-no-trace practices around anchors that climbers can employ, but I believe an (outright ban while the easiest to implement) is going too far. I would encourage you to look into routes that have been bolted with natural colored, non-shiny metals. They are very hard to spot unless you are up close and know to look for them. I think replacing routes with these for example would solve most of the problems you are worried about. There is also a discussion to be had about putting anchors in less obvious spots that I think most climbers would welcome as well!

I think it's also worth mentioning that restricting it to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-wilderness lands is ultimately not enforceable and will create confusion for everyone. Policy can easily allow new anchors unless analyses determine climbing should be restricted to "protect cultural and natural resources".

There's plenty of room for improvement without an outright ban. Please strongly reconsider this action.