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Comments: The climbing community has thrived for decades by responsibly engaging with and respecting the unique challenges presented by America's Wilderness areas. These proposed policies, however, pose a significant threat to our ability to safely enjoy and preserve these iconic climbing locations. This move would not only hinder Wilderness exploration but also jeopardize the existence of longstanding established routes and obstruct climbers' ability to replace old, unsafe bolts, putting our safety at risk.

I urge you to reconsider the proposed policies and align them with the potential legislation that promotes responsible and safe climbing practices. Fixed anchors play a crucial role in ensuring the safety of climbers, and a blanket prohibition could have severe consequences for the climbing community and the cultural and historical significance of these climbing areas.

I appreciate your time and consideration on this matter. Please stand with the climbing community in preserving our shared heritage and maintaining safe access to Wilderness climbing areas.