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Comments: Hello,

I'm writing as a board member of the Telluride Mountain Club, an organization with over 500 active members.

We are very concerned with the bolt prohibition in wilderness areas. These installations are vital to the safety of climbers and rescue personnel in committing high angle situations. In order to safely move about these specific spaces occasional fixed protection is essential. To remove those installations and reverse the last 50+ years of climbing protocol is simply devastating to the sport of climbing. We are talking about very small installations in the grander scheme of the wilderness areas. We would be in total support of a new standard that minimized the visual impact of anchors (no webbing, painted bolt hangers, etc).

Please maintain the current legality of bolts on usfs, nps and wilderness lands.

Thank you,

Josh Borof

Board of Directors

Telluride Mountain Club