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Comments: Please do not ban use of fixed anchors in wilderness areas or on forest service land. The climbing community is one of the few recreational user groups that actually act as stewards in wild areas. Fixed anchors (bolts) are essential tools used to safely self rescue when needed. Without fixed anchors, climbers will be forced into unsafe situations or be forced to use less safe methods which may result in injury or unnecessary damage or liter. Route setting is an artform which requires years of practice is self policed from within the climbing community. The placement or precieved necessity of fixed anchors can not be possibly be determined by a "forest supervisor on a case by case basis" in any economicaly feasible or enforceable way. Use of fixed anchors must be allowed under the current regulatory framework.