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Comments: With respect to the proposed directives, I advocate for legal placement of hand-drilled anchors and protection bolts, placed sparingly and with respect for the rock and the environment, on ground-up ascents in the wilderness. Replacement of existing fixed anchors should not be restricted in any way. I am also against the requirements for permits for new routes; however, if a permit for a new route must be issued in certain rare and sensitive areas, it cannot require an exact fixed hardware count or even hardware types because this information is impossible to know in advance.