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Comments: Banning climbing anchors in wilderness risks safety, stifles exploration, and erases our climbing legacy. Let's manage their use, not throw away 50 years of storied history.

Fixed anchors have been safely used in wilderness areas for decades under existing policies. A nationwide ban on these essential anchors contradicts the Wilderness Act, creates needless safety obstacles, hinders exploration, and threatens existing climbing routes and historical achievements. A more sensible approach would involve managing anchor use responsibly, rather than implementing a broad and counterproductive prohibition.

Climbers have a long history of responsibly enjoying wilderness areas while ensuring their preservation. Banning fixed anchors, crucial for climber safety, goes against this tradition. It creates new hazards, undermines conservation efforts, and risks damaging irreplaceable climbing routes. Let's work together to ensure a safe and vibrant climbing future in our wilderness without jeopardizing its natural legacy.

Wilderness climbing thrives on spontaneous exploration and adaptability in challenging terrain. Prohibiting fixed anchors hinders this essential aspect of the sport, limiting access to unique experiences and stifling climbers' ability to explore responsibly. Let's find ways to maintain wilderness character while allowing responsible climbers to navigate its wonders through their own in-the-moment decisions.

Thanks,

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