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Comments: Fixed anchors and other fixed equipment should not be permitted in wilderness areas. These are not necessary for climbing and will degrade the wilderness. Your mission is to preserve wilderness, not to diminish it. Climbers who need fixed anchors have plenty of climbing sites outside of wilderness areas. There is no need to increase climbing in wilderness by making it easier for more people. Please reject the arguments which will lead to poorer wilderness experiences. Do not allow fixed anchors and other fixed equipment on wilderness rock faces.