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Comments: I personally think that wilderness areas should stay wild and no additional anchors should be placed, however the upkeep of routes are necessary much like the upkeep and maintenance of a hiking trail which sometimes requires hardware to be installed (bridges, railings, etc) for the user to hike through wilderness. If the trail is not usable then it becomes a risk. Much like a going trail people will go climb routes that are established. Even new routes will be put up and done in a traditional style where no bolts or anchors are added... but some may be necessary for the safety of the user group. Which is better, an small anchor that is in place so that climbers can rappel safely (much like a bridge or trail built) or nothing to where they have to improvise and potentially create more impact to the environment by calling SAR because their impromptu anchor failed?

I think that if the route is already established, keeping anchors in place and making sure that routes are kept up to date will create a safer experience in wilderness and will actually leverage less resources for a growing user group. Please consider not diminishing this by banning anchors and the notion that anchors are more harmful than keeping everything clean.