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Comments: We need a policy that allows the recreation and exploration of the wilderness by climbers, skiers, hikers, and alpinists. Safe and discrete bolting is used all over the country and is part of a rich history of erican climbing. We cannot remove parts of that history, a large majority of it discrete, high up, and not affecting the ecology

.Prohibiting fixed anchors obstructs appropriate exploration of Wilderness areas. Land managers need to allow climbers to explore Wilderness in a way that permits in-the-moment decisions that are necessary when navigating complex vertical terrain.

Fixed anchors are an essential piece of climbers' safety system and are not prohibited "installations" under the Wilderness Act. Following existing climbing policies that allow judicious use of fixed anchors for more than a half century will do more to protect Wilderness character while providing for primitive and unconfined Wilderness climbing.