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Comments: The prohibition of fixed anchors is a needless measure in the "protection" of our wilderness areas. This proposal is such a sweeping policy that makes no sense. A more specific approach may make sense, like no new bolted sport climbs without permission, but this effectively outlaws things as simple as leaving a nylon sling while rappelling. This prohibition would significantly increase the danger to climbers, who are generally among the greatest stewards of our wild lands. Please reconsider this policy as it would effectively shut down the historic act of alpine climbing in our wild spaces. I am a Teton climber and this policy change would make it virtually impossible for me to continue. Please take a moment and look at what this proposal really means and how many users it would impact. Respectfully, Jason Cronk, Driggs Idaho