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Comments: Hello,

As a dedicated climber, as well as a professional in the outdoor industry, I want to share my thoughts on the proposed Bolt ban. While I agree that guidance on where and how bolting is appropriate, I do not agree with the proposed fixed anchor ban for wilderness areas. I know firsthand that climbers have the ability to be, and often are, some of the best stewards of the land that we use to recreate. A bolt ban will result in dangerous conditions for future generations of recreators, and will be a costly and difficult law to enforce. Please consider a new proposal that would not outright ban bolts, which are a critical component to the safety and enjoyment of rock climbing in areas around the country, including wilderness areas.