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Comments: Don't Prohibit the use of Bolts...

Fixed anchors play an integral role in ensuring climbers' safety and have been an accepted practice for over fifty years. However, the recent efforts of federal agencies to implement policies that prohibit the use of fixed anchors in wilderness areas have caused concern among the climbing community.

The proposed ban impedes climbers' ability to make safe decisions on-site. Additionally, it hampers climbers' exploration of wilderness areas, which requires the freedom to make decisions in real-time when dealing with challenging vertical terrain.

Furthermore, the prohibition of fixed anchors may put the legacy of climbing at risk by erasing the impressive accomplishments of climbers over the years. Therefore, it is imperative to keep the climbing legacy alive by ensuring that these rules do not impede the continuation of the sport and its rich history

It is important to consider the potential impact of banning fixed anchors on our climbing history and future. Our community has a rich legacy of climbs and community that are being put at risk by this new policy. It is imperative that these rules do not erase the significant achievements made in this sport. We must strive to preserve and honor the climbing legacy by carefully balancing safety concerns with the need to maintain the integrity of the sport and the pureness of the wilderness.