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Comments: To whom it may concern,

I'm writing to express my thoughts on the proposed ban of bolts and other fixed anchors in wilderness areas. Fixed anchors are a critical part of climbing. They allow climbers to ascend and descend routes in a safe, straightforward way. Without fixed anchors, many climbs will be impossible to descend from safely, if at all. Fixed anchors have been protected under the current Wilderness Act and it is unreasonable to change this after decades of management. Furthermore, banning fixed anchors will ruin America's rich history of climbing. American climbers have made a huge impact on global climbing and by banning such a critical component of climbing, our legacy will forever be tarnished. Thank you for considering these comments and please, do not pass the proposed bolt ban.