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Comments: Please don't enact a blanket ban on climbing bolts in wilderness areas, or unduly restrict the ability of climbers to place and maintain them. I think bolts are compatible with wilderness values, including low-impact exploration and the enjoyment of our public natural areas. Bolts are often less obtrusive than other climbing anchors such as webbing left on trees for a rappel descent. In other areas, depending on the rock type and features, there is no safe alternative to bolts as climbing anchors.

Judiciously placed and maintained trails are allowed in wilderness areas. Climbing bolts should be as well.