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Comments: My name is Ruby Williams -- I am an outdoor and environmental educator in Alaska writing to oppose the "Bolt Ban" in U.S. Wilderness zones. Here in Alaska, our climbing community is still growing and developing locations in which people can learn how to safely climb and recreate in the mountains. I am a certified rock climbing instructor -- Climbing development is critical in creating safe spaces that birth responsible recreations and environmental stewards. Below are some notes from the Access Fund expanding upon my points:

Restricting the establishment of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" on non-Wilderness lands is unenforceable and will create confusion amongst land managers and climbers. Non-Wilderness climbing management policy should maintain opportunities for new anchors unless and until analyses determine climbing should be restricted to protect cultural and natural resources.