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Comments: The freedom to explore responsibly is the greatest strength of our wilderness areas, but a bolt prohibition would both hinder that freedom and make climbing less safe. People will climb regardless, but by removing this essential protection, it leaves people more vulnerable to accidents. Fixed anchors have been allowed for decades under the Wilderness Act, and has contributed to America's rich climbing history and allowed for much greater access for the general public to responsibly explore America's wilderness. Please, reconsider to protect people and America's climbing.