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Comments: Hello,

As a climber who has enjoyed the security of bolts in good condition and in reasonable locations for personal safety - in and around wilderness regions of the USA - I have an appreciation for the hard work and fiscal sacrifice of other climbers willing to enable my enjoyment and safety.

While I recognize the needs of policy-makers and officials to be protective of our nations most valuable resources, I also see many flaws with language being used in these drafts.

Provisions for additional fiscal resources for the considerations of bolting should be added. Perhaps fees for backpacking permits and other permits should go straight to the NPS/USDA.

I believe NPS/USDA should be meeting with major climbing/highline/rebolting groups to better refine policies and their language.

Thank you for your consideration,

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