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Comments: I respectfully oppose the classification of fixed climbing anchors as prohibited installations. While I agree that there are certainly places where fixed anchors do not belong, one of their foremost benefits is to reduce impact in the form of gear left behind on formations and to unify descent routes and prevent unnecessary impact elsewhere. The climbing community has historically been very good about their responsible usage and installation, as well as community education and self-policing. Thoughtfully placed fixed anchors enhance wilderness experience and safety for our user group with minimal impact. A blanket ban is sad, unnecessary, and potentially unsafe.