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Comments: I urge you not to ban bolts for climbing protection from wilderness. Bolts are important to safety, especially for rappel and belay stations. Bolts and climbing pre-date Wilderness designations. Bolts avoid messes of rope and sling left behind as anchors. Bolts are nearly invisible. There are many times I have been 10 feet from a bolt, knowing it is there, and searching for it, and not been able to find it. Before you ban bolts you need to get rid of trails, toilets, fire rings, bridges, and hitching posts. All these are much more substantial structures than bolts and should all be "prohibited installations" before you start thinking about prohibiting bolts. That said, I think toilets avoid substantial resource damage, and should also be kept.