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Comments: To whom it may concern, rock climbing has been an important part of my life and my community's for nearly two decades. Bolts have been a key part of making that experience safe and manageable, especially in the wilderness. The proposal to ban wilderness bolting is one that will severely compromise rock climbing for me and the many people who are getting into this sport, specifically hazards around route protection and confusion around pre-existing bolts. It's practically unenforceable as well. I recommend further review of this proposal and its implications to the safety of millions of people who climb in wilderness areas.

Thank you,
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