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Comments: Bolts are simply not a blight on the environment and although permanent they are actually a more sustainable way to climb compared to rapping off of trees or walking off the top.. I personally develop many bolted slab routes in Wilderness areas that bother zero people. It turns unclimbable rock into rock that can be enjoyed by many. Most people who have a problem with bolts are new climbers who don't know how to really climb, they've read an Yvonne Chouinard book and think they are Royal Robbins. At least Royal Robbins had the respect to stop chopping the bolts on the Wall of the Early Morning Light because he saw Warren Hardings vision and boldness. Some of my routes have upwards of 100 bolts but there is no denying that they are still bold and visionary and not a useless blight to the environment. Please do not pass this bolt ban.