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Comments: The Forest Service prohibiting fixed anchors or their replacement opens the service up to liability. Likely there will not be uniform definitions, and subjective variance among the various jurisdictions of what constitutes a violation of the "wilderness experience";. By and large the various organizations associated with climbing (e.g. Mountaineers, Access Fund, Climbers Coalition) are interested in preservation of the climbing resources and against "overbolting";. Working with the climbing community is a better solution than a general prohibition of bolting or the development of new climbing routes on non-wilderness lands.