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Comments: I think that climbing is an appropriate use of Forest Service land. As a climber, bolts are incredibly important in and outside of wilderness areas. Well placed bolts have a low impact to the environment and greatly increase climbers' safety. The idea that under resourced and underfunded USFS districts will approve the addition or removal of bolts on a case by case basis seems completely unrealistic. I think this will either lead to a lack of oversight, or a total ban. I am curious to learn more about what elements of the wilderness character are being impacted and what other avenues exist to address those concerns.