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Comments: The climbing community has recently grown but most climbers are also aware of the potential impacts they have on wilderness areas. The sport is one of acceptance, preservation and camaraderie. I am not opposed to management of bolt placement and route establishment. In fact, I think it is important to ensure that climbs do not negatively impact animal habitats and wilderness areas. However, I think safety is paramount and the ability of people to enjoy our wilderness areas for various types of recreation, including climbing, should also be allowed. Fixed anchors in particular have made climbing safer for both climbers and rescue personnel and currently bolted routes need to be responsibly maintained. Please reconsider the currently proposed rules to enable continued safe pursuit of our sport, while also ensuring sustainable land management.