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Comments: This policy is an extreme measure that could be addressed through work with organizations like the Access Fund. The Access Fund has excellent re-bolting programs and monitors addition of new bolts in wilderness areas. The MRA requirement for bolt replacement would create a situation where classic climbs that have existed since the mid 1900s could be removed. It would also create a situation where climbs would be tried until a bolt failed instead of routine inspection and replacement happening as it does now. This is a serious safety concern that could be avoided with re-bolting strategies.