New Route Application

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New Route name: Criller

Grade: 5.11+

Description

Criller was attempted in headpoint style by Wayne Crill and Greg Miller in August 2014. However, a serious groundfall resulting in injury prompted the abandonment of this project. Ten bolts are proposed to protect otherwise runout sections, though it would still be a head's up trad lead. A two bolt anchor is also proposed.

This route is located on Lower Peanuts. It climbs an independent face starting at a clean crack, a bit right of No Visible Means of Support, and it is well left of Young Blonde and Easy. Twelve new stainless steel bolts will be installed; ten lead bolts and two anchor bolts for rappelling.

Factors For

- Is the proposed new route independent?
 Yes. It shares no climbing with any other existing routes.
- Is the proposed new route direct?Yes. Direct line on natural face holds.
- 3. Is the proposed new route on good rock?
 Yes. The rock quality is generally good, though some sections of rock, particularly in the traversing roof section, are friable. Some additional cleaning is warranted.
- 4. Does the overall quality of the climbing inspire? Yes. The position and steepness are wild, and the top half of the pitch is very sustained at the grade.
- 5. Does the proposed new route alter neighboring routes? No. It is far from the two closest routes.
- Is the proposed new route safe?
 Yes. However, natural gear placements and related experience are required to keep it safe.
- Will proposed new route lead to crowding at base?
 No. There's a lot of space between routes in this area of Lower Peanuts.

Factors Against

Does the new route overlook natural protection in favor of bolts?
 No. This proposed bolting approach requires natural placements to supplement the bolts.

Neutral Factors

Can the proposed new route be top roped?
 Yes, using tree anchors at the top of the cliff. A bolted rap anchor is also requested to minimize the potential for soil erosion on a walk-off descent.

