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Comments: Fixed anchors are essential safety gear that opens a new dimension of recreation in National Parks and NPS wilderness lands. To remove existing anchors would cause much more harm to the environment than allowing them to stay in place. Climbing is one of the fastest growing sports in the United States and parks like Yosemite, Joshua Tree, New River Gorge, etc. are globally known climbing destinations with rich history that would be irreversibly destroyed by this potential ban.

As an environmentalist, a conservationist, and an outdoorsman, I support the use of fixed anchors in national parks and NPS wilderness lands.