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Comments: You'll rarely meet someone as staunchly protective of natural resources as me, but I can't in good conscience support this proposal. I do think there's good reason to add approval processes for new bolting in delicate ecosystems, but the idea of removing existing, safe gear is a recipe for disaster. Climbers will still use routes and now those routes will be considerably more dangerous. This seems an injustice to a community that is largely a very responsible steward of the environment. Moreover, this proposal will result in more gear, such as nylon an synthetic webbing, being left to degrade into microplastics.