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Comments: To whom it may concern at the National Park Service level, US Government level, Government and Municipal leaders of California and all community and government leaders of the Yosemite Park area: Please reconsider your thoughts on the removal of fixed anchors and fixed protection for all the rock climbing routes in and around the Yosemite Park area. Fixed anchors and protection provide much needed security for all climbers and do not in any way damage the rock nor does it do any material change to the environment. You are looking in the wrong places and your attention should be put into other areas or issues that really matter to the environment. Yosemite is the world's most valued rock-climbing area and has historic value beyond your imagination. Rock climbers are in general conscientious environmentalists and care about mother nature and its beauty. As a mature average climber from another country, I had the opportunity of a lifetime to spend a few days climbing in Yosemite on moderate level routes which I could not have completed without the fixed protection. Instead of thinking of such radical ideas which are based on unfounded concepts - please put your energy into something else that could really enhance the park, such as trail maintenance, recycling, garbage clean up and awareness campaigns to keep the place beautiful for next generations. You should consider consulting with end users which will be able to provide you with very valuable information and ideas. The world looks to you to preserve this beautiful area which can be done while keeping the climbing traditions continuing. Thank you for listening to me and feel free to call me . Domenic from Montreal