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Comments: Are we really still stuck in the bolting wars of the 1980's or the hyper-accountability of the park service of old? Are these old, crusty John Bachar free-soloist types still around? Apparently they are. This new measure must not pass for the sake of the recreation and safety of all climbers everywhere. The park service should allow climbing bolts and anchors of all kinds granted they are safely and reasonably installed. The climbing community in the area and not the park service should be allowed to replace old anchors with newer safer ones at will. There is no need for a review board to get permits to install or replace anchors. We should not be attempting to fight for climbing rights using legal claims of laws already passed; we should use moral ones. Climbing is clearly a wilderness activity which has very little impact on the land and others recreating in the park, barring a few exceptional cases. All types of special use permits or permits in general for climbing should not be implemented. I am firmly against this above new regulation.