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Comments: Climbing has brought such joy and deep appreciation for our public lands and wilderness areas. There are many places I would have never been and never cared about as deeply as I would had it not been for recreational climbing. The fixed gear (including bolts, anchors, etc) provides safer access to our beautiful public lands. This in turn makes me and the climbing community as a whole better, more passionate stewards for the areas we recreate. If fixed gear is banned or not maintained it will both increase the risk and accidents of climbers as well as alienate people in the community.

I wholeheartedly endorse the efforts of the Access Fund and the Black Hills Climbers Coalition and all other climbing coalitions & non-profits in preserving climbing access and advocating for responsible bolt placement. Their dedication to maintaining climbing access and environmental conservation is crucial, and I stand behind their initiatives.