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Comments: Climbing, like hunting, boating, fishing, and hiking is not without impact on the environment. But our very existence is impactful, it is the value those impacts provide to our humanity that provide the reason for their existence, and the prohibiting of fixed anchors will threaten America's rich climbing legacy and could erase some of the world's greatest climbing achievements. Climbing management policy needs to protect existing routes, and provide equitable means for access and maintence of those routes, not further encourage limitations on a community that contributes to the American ethos. American outdoorsmen and frontiersmen are one of America's most unique aspects, and to remove a safety feature that has been an underpinning facet of american mountaineering and climbing for decades is not only detrimental to the community, but dangerous.