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recent chatter about climbing bolts and the management of them in natural areas has begun to worry me. climbing is such a powerful sport that brings together so many amazing people and gives them away to build relationships in bonds that support them as positive contributors to society. it builds confidence, strength, fitness, problem solving skills, social skills, and many other experiences that can benefit a human being. by placing strict regulation on the use of bolts and natural areas we are limiting the climbing to traditional methods that most climbers cannot participate in. bolts aren't important aspect of climbing that creates accessibility for many people who otherwise wouldn't be able to go. I've already said how important climbing is and the benefits that it has for a human being and a community. legislation should be written to protect and cherish this sport rather than blindly manage aspects of it without consideration for those people whom would not be able to climb without bolts.