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Comments: I am a member of a local non-profit organization that assists a local wildlife refuge with managing bolting on the refuge, as well as creating best practices for bolting. This is to ensure that any recreational activity related to rock climbing has no impact on the environment, nor any other visitor's experience. All of the bolting, removal of bolts, and other conservation efforts related to rock climbing is done on a volunteer basis. We joyfully volunteer our time because it is necessary to ensure the safety of not only visitors, but also any staff or emergency crews should a high-angle rescue be required, EVEN IF THE ACTIVITY LEADING UP TO THE RESCUE DID NOT INVOLVE ROCK CLIMBING, RAPPELLING, HIGHLINING, ETC. It is imperative that bolting be allowed in a manner that is feasible for volunteers and park managers. Any additional proposed regulation of bolting efforts creates a hindrance to maintaining the safety of both visitors, and any emergency first responders. This is a tragic mistake for everyone.