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Comments: Not only are the landscapes of our parks a part of our national heritage, but after 60+ years of climbing history, the climbing routes themselves are a part of that heritage. To destroy fixed anchors would be to radically change the character of many of these routes, in some cases making them nearly unclimbable, and in nearly all cases making them more dangerous to climb.

However, thousands will still be out there trying to climb, but without fixed anchors, not only would those climbs be more dangerous, but they would then become more dangerous to the first responders sent to rescue them.

The climbing community has proven that it can work closely and responsibly with national, state, and local authorities to manage climbing routes development and steward our land, so there is no rational reason to change a relationship to the land that has worked well so far. Say no to removing fixed anchors, and say yes to continuing the ongoing joint stewardship of our parks and climbing heritage.