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Comments: Descending and rappelling is the number one cause of rock climbing accidents. For safe repelling and climbing some routes need bolts, not many just enough to make a safe descent. This regulation would make safe retreat and safe climbing nearly impossible.

Fixed, bolted anchors in the wilderness allow climbers to descend a route safely, easily bail when the weather turns sour or climbers are underprepared, safely self-rescue before activating local, volunteer Search and Rescue teams.

With the increased popularity of climbing this could lead to many accidents and many more rescues which no one wants. Climbers are conscious of the importance of wilderness and its natural beauty, we try not to be more intrusive than we need to be in order for us to also enjoy nature just like every hiker needs a few stone paths and stairs to reach the beautiful views safely.

I hope you reconsider. Thank you,

Manuel Garcia