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Comments: Today I leave my comment to discourage the banning of fixed bolts and bolted anchors.

With climbing rising in popularity, and many people wanting to get outside to have very tangible and memorable experiences in America's beautiful areas, it leaves very little room for safety if bolts are banned.

Bolts are by far the safest way to climb outdoors. There is great care taken in not only developing areas for climbing but also making sure that putting up routes is not damaging to the rock. It is also done with great care to ensure that the bolts keep people safe and are able to bear the load a potential fall can make, this making it a more safe activity for those trying this form of climbing out.

To ban bolts is unnecessary. With all the other invasive ways that to accommodate people in the outdoors, bolts do very little to an area's beauty and integrity, especially if done by skilled professionals.

Climbers are generally good stewards of the outdoors. They go through great lengths to make sure environments and habitats are kept while also pursuing this sport so passionately.

Climbers will always find a way to climb, and those other ways will require non-fixed gear, opening a greater risk to the climbers and to the areas that placing and taking pieces of equipment will do.

Hear me and my other climbing friends in this wonderful, passionate community. Do not ban bolts. Work with the proper associations to make sure bolting is done in a professional and non-evasive manner.