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Comments: I think we can agree all parties want to preserve our beautiful lands for the benefit of everyone while keeping up to date with the access for different user groups. Climbers in general are huge advocates of preservation and have strong values to keep our areas beautiful. Being involved in the Black Hills Climbing community for over 15 years has showed me how much effort and pride goes into making fixed hardware that blends into the environment and reduces the visual impact on the area. Most hardware is colored or powder coated specifically to match the rock color in its surrounding area and most are hard to find. If this protection was no longer available it would stop protected climbing in the area and open up risks of people climbing with out protection and could create dangerous situations. Without keeping areas open to climbing it would reduce the amount of the community out side using our public lands. This would be a HUGE negative impact for a huge user group to the public lands. It is such an opportunity for future generations to have public lands for climbers. Thank you for your time and service.