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Comments: I write this as I lay tired from the days climbing efforts and angry that a community that has nothing but respect for nature is under attack once again. We risk losing access to areas where generations have been taught how to enjoy a sport they love, share a world of grit, resilience, and perseverance. We have shared and passed on techniques to future generations in a safe environment using fixed chains and bolts for many years.

I can't help but think that if climbing were as big of a business as snow skiing or snowboarding this would never be a question that we as a climbing community have to face! After all a few bolts and fixed chains are no where near the eye sore that a massive lift and clear cutting strips of trees to form a run cloud never be considered an eye sore.

I sincerely hope that the states, local and federal governments sink a ton of money into search and rescue, because they will be taking away safety from a large portion of people that can't afford proper traditional climbing gear. As well as taking away many areas that were developed with the intent of educating future climbers on techniques used for big wall climbing. The irony of sinking money into search and rescue... civil SAR efforts are able to bolt anywhere they want!