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Comments: I am deeply concerned about this proposal, and the end result it will have on the safety of Americans. Requiring a permit process to maintain or replace recreational safety equipment (existing climbing bolts /anchors) will result in deterioration of equipment, and ultimately deaths. This is not hyperbole. People die from failed anchors. The American alpine club has accident reports to verify this. If this passes, 10 years from now we will be experiencing a major increase in climbing related deaths from un-maintained bolts and anchors. To prevent unnecessary deaths, at the very least please allow for maintenance and replacement of existing anchors without permits or special approval.