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Comments: Fixed anchors in wilderness have been around since the 1960's or earlier in some cases here in America. It's a shame that this proposal will now make using a fixed anchor illegal until a selected body of individuals determines that fixed anchors will be allowed to use. If this proposal actually goes through how will (SAR) search and rescue be able to help and rescue so called individuals when they are in a life threatening situation? Does SAR try and make a removable anchor next to an existing fixed anchor because it will be by law that they cannot use those anchors until a committee has decided it's okay. This seems to me to open up a whole pile of law suits against the government when more time is needed for a necessary rescue. A rescue is time dependent when especially a victim is in a life threatening situation. Further more many fixed anchors are in dire need of replacement. The climbing community has gone to great heights replacing bolts all around the country with little or no help from the government. It's hard to comprehend the reasoning for this proposal. This will just make climbing more dangerous and climbing rescues will increase dramatically if this goes into action. Let's NOT erase the history of climbing by removing fixed anchors in wilderness please.