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Comments: Removing existing hardware, including recently updated hardware, poses a real and immediate threat to recreational climbing. Regulating climbing activities in national forest land should not mean abolishing those activities. Investing time and resources in educating land stewards and climbers alike on the science and impact of bolting would accomplish more than overreaching prohibitions that make climbing unfeasible, unsafe, and potentially illegal. I support efforts to protect and preserve our landscape. Removing the hardware established to ensure accesible, safe climbing opportunities on public land does little to accomplish these goals. Please help the climbing community collaborate with government regulators in finding a more workable, sustainable future that expands, instead of eliminates, ethical climbing.