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Comments: Prohibiting fixed anchors will create safety issues by imposing unnecessary obstacles to the regular maintenance of fixed anchors, a responsibility undertaken by the climbing community. Climbers will still go attempt to climb routes in the wilderness fixed anchors or not. Less fixed pro will create more accidents and potentially more rescues. Fixed anchors also create less gear left behind in the long run. With existing anchors people wont leave Tat or other gear when rappelling or climbing. By making everyone's experience safer we as climbers make less of an impact. Critical safety decisions often must be made in the moment and any authorization process should not impede those decisions. Fixed anchor maintenance needs to be managed in a way that incentivizes safe anchor replacement and does not risk the removal of climbing routes.

Thank you, Jesse Rubenstein