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Comments: While I'm hugely supportive on conservation efforts, this large-scale plan to minimize bolting in key climbing areas across the country will negatively impact the critical stewardship that climbers and the climbing community afford our national lands and parks. Working with climbing community members and organizations is a much better solution to this issue.

The climbing community has grown tremendously from its counter cultural roots, and a ban like this would throw a lot of the goodwill and meaningful efforts made over the past several decades to substantiate climbing as a responsible and reasonable recreational activity that intends to minimize the impact on the environment into jeopardy. I urge those proposing this change to have more conversations with leaders in the climbing by community to come up with alternative methods to conserve our lands. We need to do better than a ban on bolting to maximize the safety of climbers and to conserve our lands.