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Comments: A complete ban on bolting climbing areas restricts people's opportunity to enjoy and explore the natural beauty of your country.

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It would create an unsafe environment for climbing, some comments:

Bolting is already managed within the community, bolting high-traffic areas to make them safer for novice climbers.

Encouraging people to use bolts appropriate for the rock and properly rated gear through discount initiatives (eg. Climbing Anchors offers tools for new projects) rather than banning it is a better way of managing the damage that could happen to the rock.

If there are cultural or safety disputes in an area, I believe they should be addressed per project, no climber wishes to be unsafe (both personally and within the outdoor community), damage the environment nor be disrespectful to First Nations people's wishes and culture.