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Comments: Fixed anchors helped me learn to trust equipment, conquer my fear of heights, and really enjoy climbing for what it is. By banning fixed anchors, climbers will not stop climbing, but will instead adapt to the regulations. Until new standards are establish, I know for a fact people will be doing unsafe things and likely learn from mistakes. By banning fixed anchors, you not only make it difficult for new climbers to get into the sport, you are practically ensuring that there will be more climbing related deaths. You don't want to have to carry that guilt. Let us continue our safe established practices.