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Comments: I oppose restricting fixed anchors in our National Parks and Public Land. As a climber I have never personally placed fixed gear, however I have always appreciated using fixed gear at belay stations, rappel stations and in places where rock is almost featureless. I value my life and partners life while spending time in our wonderous nature. I was taught through courses, mentors, text and traditions when and where fixed anchors could be respected. We should continue the tradition of respecting our natural playgrounds with education and not regulation. The restricting of fixed gear through legislation will only drive a wedge between the climbing community and public land regulators. Our public lands cannot afford to loose the alliance of the climbing community. Future politics are unknown and the demand for electrification mining will be unrelenting. We the people need to respect climbers recreating in the wilderness and in return climbers will support and protect the wilderness for all for generation to come.