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Comments: Climbing has been an instrumental part of my life and has allowed me access to so many amazing groups of people. I have created lifelong friends through this amazing sport, mostly through the local gym which unfortunately recently closed. Without a local gym, the only way I can continue to interact with this community at large is by going to local and further away outdoor crags, I now live over an hour from any gym. However, without the benefit of preinstalled anchors this is threatened. Typically, I feel confident in being safe at the top of the climb because of the benefit of maintained and permitted anchors, but without those I will not feel safe climbing, or straight up not be able to climb, in some of my favorite places. This is my life, and without safe and easy access for me and other climbers, my identity and community are threatened. Please protect our community and the people in it by allowing maintained and safe anchors to allow this amazing sport to be so prevalent and to uphold America's rich climbing history.

Sincerely-

Beau Toepfer