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Comments: My introduction to rock climbing was in college when I was pinching pennies and couldn't afford to go to an indoor climbing gym. It was such an empowering experience for me and left a lasting impact on me. Now, a decade later, I have gotten into rock climbing again and was devastated to learn that the routes I learned on may be removed and made illegal in the future. I believe strongly in the power of connecting with nature to improve mental health. Rock climbing has improved my mental health as well as my kids. I have never been a big fan of bouldering and fixed anchors have been allowing climbers to climb safely for decades. I am hurt and confused as to why decades of precedent should be erased. Please consider how much this sport means to citizens all across the country and the joy it has brought them.