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Comments: Please consider the safety of climbers and the public before changing these provisions. This could affect the maintenance of existing routes and encourage illegal bolting that would be done with less care. People will continue to climb and continue to create routes. There is no stopping it but you can work with various climbing organizations to ensure well maintained routes. In general, climbers are respectful of nature and bring more opportunities for people to enjoy and explore our public lands. They want to experience natural beauty and many advocates work hard to make it possible. My local climbing gym works with people with disabilities who need extra help climbing but want the experience. Removing options such as lead bolting routes leaves us with less options for that community. Thank you for reviewing my comments.