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Comments: Hello-

I am a 25 year climbing veteran. Benefits of climbing to my life have been vast. The physical returns are obvious- the mental and intrinsic rewards not so much. Climbing represents an opportunity at self exploration; self awareness and humility are a must. Growth is essential. Relationships are born. Communities formed. Climbing simply promotes a fulfilling life

Regarding the proposed prohibition on fixed climbing anchors-

Please consider the purposes of fixed protection and anchors and weigh those against your objectives:

Fixed anchors are minimally invasive to rock formations

Fixed anchors increase climbing safety- and those that are already placed need to be maintained

Fixed anchors promote sustainability. Erosion caused by foot traffic around climbing areas is reduced

Fixed anchors have an established world ethic. This policy shift has no global precedent and will limit access to climbing and the wilderness to many that seek it

Thank you for reconsidering your position

A devoted father, partner, airline pilot, climber