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Comments: The prohibition of all fixed anchors in the national parks is an unnecessary and unwise step to take at this time, particularly after many decades of them being recognized as a legitimate part of climbing and of use of public lands. Climbers and Land Managers have coexisted for all of this time without banning safety equipment, and climbers have been allowed to properly maintain said equipment to keep routes safely passible and allow for safe retreat if necessary.

Please allow this relationship to continue without an onerous blanket ban that could potentially lead to resource issues for the Land Managers who may end up involved in rescue and recovery efforts as a direct result of disallowing the existence, placement, or maintenance of fixed anchors..

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