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Comments: As a respectful outdoors person, and one that likes that promote outdoor activities to minorities and has collaborated with the national park service in Escalante by appearing in a promotional video to invite minorities to the outdoors, I need to share this request to ensure that fixed anchors are not banned from our parks. Fixed anchors specially around canyoneering routes provide a higher level of safety that allows new canyoneers to participate and enjoy our parks with a greater margin of safety. Safety always being a concern for new adventurers, banning fixed anchors would will disproportionally impact minorities as more advance techniques requiring additional training and tools would be required at a greater expense and which are usually price prohibited to new minority adventurers. Placing fixed anchors can be managed with this in mind but not banned so we can all have an equal opportunity to enjoy remote places in a safely manner.