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Comments: As a climber with over 3 decades of experience, I don't see how requiring government approval for all fixed anchors is in line with over a century of precedence, nor is reasonable. Well before snow mobiles came into existence, people were climbing mountains and requiring the use of anchors in the mountains and on cliffs to ensure safe passage. This broad brush approach is easy to conceive but incredible damaging to the US climbing community in implementation. I suggest a more tailored approach to ensure local traditions and conservation are addressed in a more reasonable manner. Please reconsider this decision.