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Comments: I am writing to say that I am strongly opposed to the prohibition of fixed anchors and fixed equipment. Not only is it unreasonable, but it is unrealistic that these new polices could successfully implemented and fairly regulated. More importantly, however, these polices would threaten the safety of climbers nation wide. It would no longer allow the climbing community to safely and successfully mange the inherent risk that exists in climbing. Because of its inherent risk, these polices would make it impossible to make safe in the moment decisions, when exploring vertical terrain. Not to mention, these policies would destroy a hundred years of rich and vibrant American climbing history that is deeply rooted in the outdoor community. Restricting the creation of new routes to "existing climbing opportunities" will only create confusion. Restricting anchors should only be permitted if it is to protect cultural and natural resources.

Thank you for your time.