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Comments: I've been climbing for over thirty years in all disciplines (rock, ice and alpine) and all over our beautiful country. Climbing has long been my vessel to visit the amazing landscapes we are truly blessed with - including our State and National Parks, Forests and designated Wilderness areas. As I've watched (and been a part of) the growing numbers of folks recreating in these spaces, I've also seen agencies and policies evolve to meet the many needs and perspectives of not only the public -but also the geography. No doubt this is a great challenge, and their/your efforts and accomplishments are truly appreciated! It's also been amazing to see (and take part) in the evolution of modern, technical climbing -especially the growth and development of techniques and equipment which are not only geared towards improving our abilities and safety, but also in preserving the great environmental treasures we have. I implore you to reconsider your proposal in regards to our use of fixed gear and anchors -at the very least to provide us with fair representation on your board. If our population and use warrants legislation, then shouldn't it warrant a knowledgeable perspective? I believe the current proposal is incredibly dangerous and honestly quite ignorant, and would have a lasting negative impact on both your agencies and our safety and well being. Please, please, please -at the very least, give us fair representation with this issue, and in the meantime, table this proposal until your agency can be better informed (and in turn, maintaining its integrity). Thank you.