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Comments: Climbers and adventurers are some of the people most intimately connected with nature. Many a soul has fallen in love with nature and become attuned to its seasons and secret ways by means of climbing and adventure. In this way, nature and climbing convert an otherwise landlubber into the graces of stewardship, conservation, and environmental advocacy in its many blessed forms. Though technology has afforded climbers various means of protection and anchoring over the years, a few more tried and true than others, a variety of pitons and bolts remain amongst the tried and trusted for climbers. I myself have climbed from this nation's Atlantic to Pacific coast, entrusting myself with anchors and grateful to the climber who set these anchors, whose blood sweat and energies decided to give back to the community and the next generation who took to the mountains for an education and connection with nature. English mountaineer Leslie Stephens referred to mountains as "more awe-inspiring than that of any mortal teacher." This thinking unites eastern and western philosophies and the secular and nonsecular alike. With this admiration and wealth of instruction of nature and mountains in particular, I set out to spend time in the wilds and mountains of Patagonia. In *Where the Clouds Can Go*, the prolific Austrian climber Conrad Kain described the mountain life's affect on folks: "They live here all their lives close to the heart of Nature, which is kind and true. These pure surroundings gradually affect them so they can't help being kind." I can attest at least that the mountains made me want to offer more. I opened trails and climbing routes. In places with harsh inclement weather and great heights, fixed anchors allow safe and expedient means of retreat. In more than a dozen big wall climbs I bolted only where necessary so the next generation could partake of the lessons of these ecosystems and return to tell their tales of adventure and nature. It would be a mistake not to include climbers in these decision, to narrow the paths into nature, and to remove and limit lifesaving hardware. This mistake would be grave not only for climbers, but, as stewards and empirically informed environmentalists of the highest degree, an injustice to nature and our climate. Our planet is rapidly warming. Our glaciers are all but disappearing. I visited the Canadian Rockies and had to squint to see the glaciers in Glacier National Park. That celestial blue of alpine glacial lakes is almost gone from our earthly palette. Century storms happen by the month now and inundate our land and our news alike. We need more access to nature and more people to understand with their own eyes the grave stakes. Fact-checking for *Alpinist Magazine*, I discovered to my horror that recently the great Himalayan glacier, the Baltoro Glacier, at no point during the entire route to Gasherbrum II (G2) near K2 did it have snow. No snow for the icon of glaciers. This news came from a climber. I could go on about the values of climbers to nature and vice versa, and the values of fixed anchors to climbers, and thus nature. Please rethink this and next time involve climbers, the alpine activists, in your policy- and decision-making. Many thanks and best wishes, Nathan