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Comments: Hi, my name is Carina , I am an owner of a class 1 E bike Made by specialized. I have enjoyed riding mountain bike trails in Tahoe for 40 years, I am now 60 and have had two knee replacements, so I want to continue to enjoy the trails I've always ridden, but there seems to be some confusion about if an E bike is a motorized vehicle. My E bike only gives me power on demand while I am paddling, there is no throttle there is no motor that runs, it only has an electric pedal assist mechanism. I don't feel my bike does anything different on a trail than any other mountain bike, it has a governor that limits it to 20 miles an hour. I rarely would ever ride it at 20 miles an hour, if so it would more than likely be downhill on pavement. I enjoy riding the powerline trail from Myers to Stateline, I use it quite frequently as a commuter trail, I also enjoy riding the paved bike trails around town, also to run errands. It is a very positive activity for all of us to enjoy, the rule should be more about trail etiquette, then about what type of pedal mechanism a bicycle has. I would be terribly disappointed if I could no longer ride the trails in my home town, Please give this careful consideration before making any laws against this type of bike, healthy happy people should be the focus, and our tax dollars pay for his privilege to enjoy our public land.

Thank you for your time to consider my thoughts on this matter.

Kindly,

Carina