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Comments: Good afternoon,

I am in favor of proposed directives 7700 and 7710 to consider making allowances for e-bikes in NFS lands. I do not own an e-bike because of these restrictions but I would like the opportunity to enjoy NFS lands legally on an e-bike. Among many reasons to have one, one particular use case is that an e-bike would make it feasible to ride with my wife, which we would both appreciate.

I would suggest one possible exemption to the classification system proposed: Pedal assist bikes should have an exemption for a throttle strictly restricted to a very low speed (perhaps 2-3 mph). This would have no environmental significance but would have the practical effect of assisting riders pushing their bikes in hike-a-bike sections as well as getting one's balance established when mounting the bike on a steep incline.

Thank you,

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