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Comments: I am a 70 year old mountain bike rider and I need to use a pedal-assist E bike in order to do the uphill without running out of breath, as I suffer from congestive heart failure and have an implanted cardioverter defibrillator in case my heart stops. I am also a very cautious rider and respect the trails so that I do no harm. In fact, I occasionally stop during my rides and perform minor trail maintenance where needed. Riding my bike in the woods keeps me healthy and alive, so the change in regulations to allow pedal assist E bikes on the mountain bike trails in my area of the National Forest is great. Since I'm usually slower than the normal (younger) bike riders on the trails, I always yield to other bikers that I meet.