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Comments: The advancement in e-bike technology has allowed for expansion of opportunities for Americans to enjoy their National Forests and other outside spaces. E-bikes allow recreational opportunities to our citizens that might otherwise not be accessible to them based on age, disability, fitness or comfort level. By increasing wilderness usage and enjoyment of our National Forest we can anticipate increased involvement and stewardship of these precious resources.

Class 1 E-bikes have been shown to be a safe addition to existing trail networks and wilderness spaces. I would support continued and hopefully increased access for traditional bicycles and Class 1 E-bikes in National Forest land. That being said, there is an important distinction between Class 1 E-bikes and other E-bikes which are equipped with a throttle or higher maximum speed and these likely do not belong on trails which are currently open to bicycles. Given this, I would support allowing Class 1 E-bikes on all trails and land that currently allow traditional bicycles.