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Comments: I am writing in support of the proposed Forest Service regulatory changes allowing increased access of e-bikes on Federal Lands.

My family has been fortunate to have frequent access to Federal lands for hiking, biking and camping over the years. I am now a senior citizen and no longer comfortable or capable of exclusive use of a manual bicycle. My husband and I now ride TYPE 2 e-bikes. Our e-bikes are limited to 20 mph -- less than the speeds reached by many cyclists on manual bicycles. The motor-assist however enables us to access sites and travel distances that would otherwise be unattainable given our ages.

We travel with these e-bikes on the back of our RV and continue to enjoy nature and a physically life throughout Federal and state lands. Current rules barring e-bike access to trails and parks have been an obstacle for us and have put us in a position of violating regulations on numerous occasions. Changing the rules to specifically identify accessibility based on e-bike classification is an important, positive step forward.