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Comments: I see no problem with following suit with other organizations on the definitions and classifications of ebikes. I like the idea of an e-bike only trail. It evokes imagination of what it could possibly be. Perhaps an express singletrack climbing trail that winds its way up steeply, but sustainably?

Exciting times to see change like this, where tradition becomes a bit more flexible. It was silly to see an emerging technology teeter between the lines of two existing groups, and watching to see which group it ended up falling into. The strict simplicity and questionable discrimination just reeked of stupidity, making me question if this was someone's idea of efficiency.

I really hope the other commenters aren't feeling entitled, regarding how they were here first and how important their concerns (fear and ignorance) are, to justify their power to dictate how people can't do this or that in public. It just paints them as being selfish and unable to share. I understand people don't like to lose what they believe is hard earned, but sometimes this can get toxic (prevents growth). That conservative nature should be more focused on nature, and less on themselves. It's likely that they got such conservative ideals is by gaining experience, such as experiencing the beauty of nature personally. With more people accessing nature, and also seeing the beauty, especially up close and at a pedestrian pace, perhaps a higher % of the population will understand the importance of conserving it.

Bottom line is that ebikes are enablers. It reduces the athletic requirement. Endurance anxiety is a real thing and exploring the forests and mountains is seemingly seen as a sporty thing. Why are people discriminating against this as if it's some exclusive club? Do people feel that it devalues all their hard work to build up fitness and outdoor experience?

If there's anything to worry about, it's cheap ebike hacks and mods, and not the kind that are currently marketed by respected mountain bike brands. Is there not some certification standard these should be held to for safety's sake, such as fire risk of batteries, and exposed hot surfaces and arcs from connectors coming loose?