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Comments: Please allow class 1 E-bikes on all trails where bicycles are allowed. There is no difference in impact to the trails in my opinion, E-bikes are roughly the same speed as pedal bikes and the 20 pound weight difference is negligible and not a safety concern (Body weight is quite often more of a difference than 20 pounds). I do support the 3 class system for e-bikes. As someone who owns and rides pedal and class 1 e-bikes as well as off road motorcycles I can tell you that it is a safety issue to force class 1 e-bikes onto trails designated for off-road motorcycles. My average speed on my dirt bikes is 2.5 to 3 times faster than on any of my mountain bikes (pedal or assist) and the dirt bike is 5 times heavier than a class 1 e-bike. Lastly, I am over 50 now and it is getting harder to maintain a safe heart rate on a normal pedal bike, the e-bike allows me to continue enjoying the sport I love, stay in shape and enjoy our nations beautiful public lands. Thank you for your consideration on this matter, it is greatly appreciated.