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Comments: To whom it may concern.

I am an avid mountain biker since 1983 and have spend my entire working career (45years now)in the outdoor human power recreation industry.To be clear I believe that everyone should have fair and equal access to government lands. That being said, I also believe that all users have a right to safe and peaceful use of these lands. E-mountain biking, unregulated, can and will create unsafe conditions as well as negative social aesthetics.

First, it is extremely important to recognize that EMTB's have a motor!1 EMTBs allow people access to areas they might not go otherwise, at speeds they can't do on their own and most importantly without the skills to handle the bike safely, a threat to themselves and other around them. Mountain biking even without a motor can be a very dangerous sport.

Second, like many other activities on government lands we have rules and regulations to insure the safe and peaceful use of the lands. Like fly fishing only areas, mountainbiking and embting have places that it is inappropriate to allow there use. Poor sight lines,heavy use areas,sensitive wildlife areas, poor soil conditions and mixed uses all can create problems now and in the future.

Third,I support Emtbs for the aging population(65 and up) and for those with disabilities. In Park City our local ordinance supports these two conditions and there use on trails wider than 5 feet. And of course we supports all e bike use when it replaces the use of a car.

Fourth, size is everything. Todays emtbs have a huge range of power and speed capacity. Adopting new rules must include limiting the bikes to Class 1 bikes with less than 20 mph speeds. These bikes as I write this are getting faster, lighter and less expensive only increasing there popularity and impacts on future trail uses.

The decision you make today could have huge impacts on future generations, the quality of the experience, degradation of the forest and the cost to manage in the future. Please be aware of the unforeseen consequences when making this significant decision.

Thank you