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Comments: A misunderstanding of e-bike technology is significantly affecting its embrace in the regulatory cycling landscape and with the overall cycling community. There seems to be a notion that e-bikes operate similarly to a motorcycle and excessive speeds, bigger damaging footprint on trail, and an overall departure of what a bike represents seems to be the pre-conceived notion. I argue for decision makers to take a first-hand approach to becoming more familiar with the technology. E-bikes do not "move" if they are not being pedaled - there is no throttle. Going downhill, the e-bike motor actually slows the bike, making the e-bike descend slower than regular bikes. E-bikes dont have a bigger trail footprint than non-e-bikes. Furthermore, e-bikes expand the pool of people that can take to cycling as a recreational, or even transportation, alternative. Please allow more e-bikes on all trails.