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Comments: It is time to put this to rest. E bikes are bicycles. E bikes are not motorized vehicles. E bikes must be pedaled to move. E bikes are not any more dangerous than traditional bikes. E bikes cannot roost like a motorcycle. E bikes do not cause more soil erosion than traditional bikes.

As a American with a disability, I find it disturbing that E bikes have been banned anywhere. Would you ban wheelchairs and walkers from trails? No, because you cannot thanks to a law. The Americans with Disabilities Act prohibits laws and other actions that prevent Americans with disabilities from having access to public lands. Any ban on E bikes is in violation of the ADA!

The user group that should be under review is equestrians. They have acted irresponsibly for decades. Horses are not indigenous animals. Horses cause excessive trail erosion. Horses have spread giardiasis to virtually all wilderness water sources in our country. It is time to ban horses not bikes.