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Comments: I have read Proposed Directives FSM 7700 and 7710.

I am 72 years old and have been a recreational cyclist my entire life. I bought my first mountain bike in 1991 and have ridden hundreds of miles on our local trails. I have also been an avid camper since childhood and have spent hundreds of nights in Federal campgrounds. As I got older the climbs made it difficult to enjoy a long ride. I purchased a Class 1 E-Bike three years ago and ride it frequently on many of the trails I used to ride with my standard mountain bike at very similar speeds, seldom exceeding 10mph. I truly appreciate being able to get out and enjoy nature where I am allowed.

I understand you have to find a balance between nature, people and recreation. I would like to see Class 1 E-Bikes allowed on federal lands/trails everywhere mountain bikes are allowed. I feel disabled people should be allowed to use Class 2 E-Bikes on those trails as well. I think it is important that you do not lump Class 3 E-Bikes in with Class 1 and 2. I see no reason to allow 28 MPH Class 3 E-Bikes on singletrack trails. They would not mix well with standard mountain bikes and hikers.

Thank you. I hope you will consider my comments. I look forward to being allowed on federal trails again with my E-Bike.