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Comments: I have mountain biked continuously since 1983, including competition. My Alpha-one Antitriptin disease has made breathing more difficult and electric-assisted pedaling makes all the difference. I feel that anyone that actually rode a electric assisted mountain bike on any given trail would agree that they pose no threat of any kind. The almost only measurable difference in the experience is climbing is easier, or faster than without power assist. Fears of faster riding anywhere else (where actual speed could be of concern) are ungrounded, as downhills are almost always coasted with application of brakes, just like any mountain bike. Anyone pedaling down a hill will quickly exceed 20mph (limit on electric mountain bikes), no matter what bike they are on. Decision makers should all experience these bikes before passing restrictions. Thanks,