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Comments: Dear Representatives of the USFS, I am submitting comments on 7711.3. I oppose "g" which creates a category of trails open to e bikes only. E bikes should be considered a class of motor vehicles and not allowed on any trails or roads not already designated for another existing category of motor vehicle. Any human powered only trail should remain so. I have experienced sharing paths with ebikes and would have to discontinue my own access to paths allowin ecog this. Many others I know have had this same experience. If your goal is to open up access to people who might not otherwise be able to have it, consider that you will instead be driving out many others who find this motorized use of trails incompatible with experiencing nature and public lands as something other than another freeway in the forest, which many trails have become with increasing use of human powered bicycles. The speeds and lack of consideration shown those on foot is significant. Additionally the impact to wildlife is well documented with the introduction of human powered bikes. E bikes would worsen this situation considerable. Thank you for considering my comments. Those wanting access do have many existing options on currently approved machine powered approved trails and roads.