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Comments: E-bikes should not be given access to trails in national forests. E-bikes were made for going fast, rather than slow crusing on trails. This diminishes the experience of national forests for all visitors, both those on and off bikes. Joseph Sax, author of Mountains Without Handrails, writes about how humans should enjoy nature. Recreational activities, such as biking, limit the interactions the rider has with the beauty of the land around them. Not only is the rider losing out on the wilderness experience, but so are others. Hikers do not want to be disturbed by fast bikers as some can be rude and inconsiderate. Overall, e-bikes should not be allowed in national forests as they disrupt the ability to connect with nature.