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Comments: Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to express my opposition to allowing ebikes on any trails currently off limits to motorized vehicles. An e-bike is simply a quieter form of dirt bike, and is can travel at a speed that is incompatible with hiking, mountain biking and horseback riding, as well as wildlife. With the growth in the number of motorized vehicles and mountain bikes, there are fewer and fewer places where people can peacefully hike without mechanized vehicles forcing them to regularly step off the trail. These same mechanized vehicles also threaten wildlife, and in particular big game which are shrinking in number across the state of Colorado (and likely the rest of the Rocky Mountain region). For these reasons, I encourage the Forest Service to prohibit e-bikes on any trails that are not already open to motorized traffic.