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Comments: Dear Sirs,

My husband and I have mountain e-bikes and have enjoyed being able to get out and enjoy the outdoors, and not being limited to just paved areas, with lots of other bikers and walkers. The joy of living in a mountain area or anywhere outside is being able to experience and be a part of it. This has become an excellent source of exercise during this pandemic. Our friends that have mountain e-bikes range in age from mid 60s to into their 80s. Our e-bikes are peddle assist, meaning that we use them when we need a little help, it is not like a motor scooter.

I really don't understand any objections and haven't heard a good argument against these bikes except from purists who are 20-30 years younger and think everyone "should do the work"! No one is being reckless or disrespectful as some mountain bikers are, that don't respect hikers and dogs. This is federal land and basically this seems like discrimination against the elderly, and seems unlawful.

Thank you