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Comments: Thank you for considering class 1 e-bikes on trails currently used by bicycles. I have been mountain biking for over 30 years. I had a fall 3 years back and tore my knee that required 40 stitches. I was not able to ride for approximately 6 months after surgery. After riding for a couple months after, I found that I was not able to put pressure on my knee without a sharp pain stinging through my body. This basically limited my riding to green/mild trails. With the help of an pedal assisted electric bikes, I was able to ride further and back up the mountains that I enjoyed prior to my surgery. It is a great form of exercise for me. I only ride where ebikes are allowed now but with the USDA, National forest and Bureau of Land Management opening up the current bicycle trails to pedal assisted e-bikes, this will allow me and others to enjoy the beautiful land that we have all around us.