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Comments: To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to ask the USFS to consider e-bikes as a form of motorized access and to regulate their use in accordance with that designation. I believe that the USFS directive currently classifying all three categories of e-bikes as motorized is correct. Besides the obvious (the bikes utilize motors and are therefore motorized), this rule impacts the quality of experience that those of us who enjoy human powered recreation. As an avid mountain biker, I enjoy riding on both motorized and non-motorized trails. That said, the experience on both trail types is quite different and I very much appreciate the ability to choose between the two experiences. Allowing e-bikes onto non-motorized trails will change the experience.

I would ask that the USFS manage all e-bike use under the 2005 Travel Management Rule, including performing NEPA analysis for any non-motorized trails designated for e-bike use in the future.

Thanks for your consideration.

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