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Comments: Dear Forest Service,

Electric bikes are not equivalent to normal bicycles. As a resident of the Salt Lake valley, I have seen more and more of these e-bikes deeper and deeper in our local national forests. On trails far into the Wasatch where a lone runner may go every other day I find increasing numbers of e-bikes (primarily hunters) grinding up these desolate and isolated areas. While I am proponent of shared land use and wholly believe that e-bikes are good for commuting and allowing those less-able get into the woods, I think there lies a huge element of abuse and land overuse. E-bikes should rightly be classified as a motorized vehicle and not allowed on trails that traditionally reserved for hikers and bikers. Please don't let our woods become overrun.

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