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Comments: Dear Sir/Madam,

I strongly encourage you to keep e-bikes correctly classified as a motor vehicle because it has a motor. As a motor vehicle, e-bikes should be prohibited from any trail which prohibits motorized travel, consistent with current travel regulations. E-bikes have been shown to be highly detrimental to big game animals and iconic wildlife species. Hunting and wildlife viewing are billion dollar industries upon which small businesses depend. E-bikes have been shown to degrade hunting and wildlife viewing opportunities. It is very unfair to impact a broad group of forests users and small businesses that depend upon non-motorized trails to benefit a very narrow special interest group of well-connected users. Thank you.