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Comments: To Whom It May Concern -

Please do not allow E-bikes into Wilderness areas. The Wilderness designation means non-motorized travel for a reason - because we need a place where there is NO motorized anything to distract us from the beauty of the natural world.

E-bikes can travel much faster than a person can walk and can go into the Wilderness farther in a shorter amount of time. That means that the habitat will be spoiled for wildlife and hikers will be further threatened on the trail. I have only to point to the way mountain bikers ride without thought for anyone else using the same trail! E-bikes would be worse because they would not require the rider to have to use any strength of their own to go into places where they should not go.

Also at stake is the fragile tundra of high mountain Wilderness. There have been numerous instances just this summer of mountain bikes, ATVs, and dirt bikers riding on a ground covering that will take 100 years to heal from the abuse!

PLEASE do not allow E-bikes in the Wilderness. They do not belong there!