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Comments: I am very opposed to changing the Wilderness trail access rules and regulations to allow e-bikes or electric bicycles. For one thing, they're motorized and should be classed like any motor vehicle and allowed only on roads for such vehicles. For a second thing, they can go much faster and farther than hikers, bicyclists, and horseback riders so the potential for trail damage and unregulated riding off-trail and through wilderness areas is very high. Third, because of the noise and speed, there is consequential negative interference with wild animals and other trail users who value a quiet more realistic wilderness experience. Forth, because of the potential for off-trail riding and because of the speed of these e-bikes, controlling how and where riders actually ride would be more difficult. The potential for degradation to sensitive wilderness areas is very high. In conclusion, I ask you to drop this misguided change and keep Wilderness as natural and wild as possible.