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Comments: I am 58 years old and own an e-bike ,without the pedal assist function the e-bike provides it would be difficult to enjoy this sport due to age and a knee injury I sustained when younger, I ride with a group who mostly have traditional mountain bikes and find no difference in the impact on the environment and no conflict with the other riders. the pedal assist on my bike stops at 20 mph which is a slower speed than most riders are traveling on the faster downhill sections, the only benefit is traversing steep uphill sections which I could not do without this bike. The e-bike allows Me to adjust My level of difficulty so I do not overexert or injure My self, the bike is only slightly heavier and emits minimal noise from the e-motor, other than that there is little difference.