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Comments: Please withdraw your proposal to allow e-bikes and mountain bikes in Wilderness areas.

Conservationists have ignored the threat that mountain biking poses to wildlands, wildlife, and Wilderness for far too long now. Research shows that like all recreation, mountain bikes displace wildlife, and because they travel farther and faster than hikers or equestrians, they can impact a much greater area in the same amount of time. Add to that, e-bikes can travel much farther into the backcountry in less time, and startle and disturb wildlife over far greater distances. E-bikes also conflict with nonmotorized trail users like hikers, horseback riders, and bicyclists.

This would be very detrimental to wildlife and I strongly urge you to withdraw this dangerous proposal for the sake of all wildlife.