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Comments: This letter is in opposition to the Forest Service's proposal to open our National Forest lands to additional e-bike use!

1. E-bikes must be regarded as motor vehicles and can travel only where such vehicles can travel.
2. This rule has environmental impacts which must be evaluated under an EIS under NEPA.
3. There are likely some conflicts with the Forest Service' Travel Management Rule 36 CFR 212 et seq.
4. With the speed and quiet nature of e-bikes, they can travel back further into the backcountry, likely disturbing wildlife, hikers, horseback riders and bicyclists.
5. E-bikes will likely trespass into the wilderness and protected areas with no consequences. This will degrade the wild character of these areas which is unacceptable.
6. We feel the Forest Services should withdraw this proposal.