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Comments: I oppose the Forest Service's proposed rule to open up my National Forest lands to additional e-bike use for the following reasons:

*e-bikes are motor vehicles, not bicycles. Some of them can attain speeds of up to 55mph, and because of their speed and quietness, they can bother wildlife over greater distances.

*e-bikes also are a nuisance to other non-motorized trail users like hikers and horseback riders

*trespassing enforcement is lax at best, and this will encourage illegal off-trail riding, and illegal trail development, which will ultimately degrade the wild character of these lands.

*the proposed rule and its probable environmental impacts should be evaluated via an environmental impact statement

*this proposed rule seems to conflict with the Forest Service's Travel Management Rule

*based on all of the above, I recommend that the Forest Service withdraw this proposal.