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Comments: I am a hiker, former backpacker, camper, cyclist. I am distressed at the damage to our trails by regular mountain bikes, and now giant tired bikes with spikes in all seasons in our local mountains. I am sure trails are being damaged everywhere. If we add to this use motorized bikes it will be worse. With The Covid pandemic i have seen about 75% increase in use of the outdoors. Much of this entails families with small children. Everyone is outside as it is the safest place to be. I am happy to see a new generation of hikers who i hope will be good stewards of the land. So with the additional recreational use of our public lands we don't need to add motors.

I personally have a Class 1 pedal assist bike. I am 81 and i love using it on paved trails and graded dirt roads. I should not be going more than 20 miles. I want o get to some of the prettier areas, but i don't need to or want to go hiking with such devices on the trails. On the other hand using the monsters on the outback jeep roads or ATV roads is fine. they are already full of noise and dust. Lets make reasonable regulations. One rule does not fit all. Let the BLM, NFS, NPS post what is reasonable for the terrain.