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

E-bikes go a lot faster and farther with less effort and will pose a safety issue and nuisance for those of us enjoying hiking, photography, horseback riding and regular bicyclists. They may have all the same problems as the disruptive ATVs.

There is a certain ethic to wilderness use when you are moving under your own power or that of a horse.

The environmental impact of startling and running over wildlife that cannot get out of the way fast enough is another reason I oppose treating e-bikes as bicycles versus motorized vehicles.

In particular we need to protect our lands designated as Wilderness as this is our heritage for our children and grandchildren.

Thank you

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