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Comments: E-Bikes or better yet, electronic assist bikes, is such a great invention and equalizer for anyone that has any handicaps or loss of riding ability due to age. Now that they are making lighter e-bikes with smaller motors is also great for anyone that needs a little assist to get through these trails. I have just started riding one of these models and I do not see how these could be banned from any trail. They don't spin up dirt, doesn't cause excess erosion due to faster speeds or being able to ride farther. I still get passed by fit XC riders on the daily and they for all intents and purposes cause the same amount of trail damage as an e-bike. I understand that not everyone rides with great tact or responsibility, I think that goes for all types of riders. If there was more education or ways of informing e-bike riders and all riders of the unspoken rules that could go a long way in getting people to respect the trails and the other riders. I think a lot of the distaste for e-bike comes from people that see it as cheating and not completely understanding all of their positive attributes.

E-bikes should be allowed on more trails and if they are not following the rules than they get warned or banned. More education and less hate could go a long way to help the future of our trails.

I see some talk about 55mph e-bikes, that as most people know is completely false. Class 1 E-bikes have no throttle and are limited to 20mph. I can have done over 30mph on my "regular" mountain bike. Don't let peoples misinformation and blatant lies dissuade you. Please consider this proposal using the facts.