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Mountain bikes pose a danger to other trail users, and destroy the footing on trails far faster than horses and hikers. They do not allow for others' quiet enjoyment of the areas they're allowed on. Mountain bikers also as a whole do not obey trail courtesy and ride incredibly fast, endangering other trail users and themselves, while lobbying to reduce wilderness areas.

"Mountain bikes displace wildlife, and because they travel farther and faster than hikers or equestrians, they can impact a much greater area in the same amount of time. E-bikes can travel much farther into the backcountry in less time, and startle and disturb wildlife over far greater distances. E-bikes also conflict with nonmotorized trail users like hikers, horseback riders, and bicyclists.

But beyond these direct impacts to nature, a significant segment of the mountain biking community has become one of the most ardent opponents of wilderness designation and, more significantly, is pushing to open existing Wildernesses to bikes. That will presumably include e-bikes if they're eventually allowed on non-motorized trails on public lands." -Wilderness Watch

Mountain bike trail usage needs to be monitored, and wilderness areas need to be protected.