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Comments: As a user of our public lands, I think that e-bikes should be banned because:

E-bikes are motor vehicles, not bicycles.

We need and EIS under the National Environmental Policy Act to verify the impact on our forests.

It conflicts with the Forest Service's Travel Management Rule (36 CFR 212 et seq).

They are fast and quiet so there will be conflicts with nature and other trail users.

Because there is almost no enforcement now for trespass, illegal off-trail riding, and illegal trail development by some bikers, e-bikes will increasingly trespass into Wilderness and other protected areas with no consequences. This illegal use will degrade the wild character of these lands and should not be encouraged as this rule will do.

The Forest Service should withdraw this proposal.