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Comments: I am an avid Mt Biker that does NOT ride an ebike. That being said I did buy one for my wife. We are in our mid 60s and the ebike allows her to go places she just couldn't without the pedal assist.

Class 1 ebikes (pedal assist only, NO throttle) are safe for most Mt Bike trails and will not cause issues for Mt Bikers on unassisted bicycles or degrade trails.

I do not feel that way about class 2 or 3. Any bike that does not require pedaling at all should be relegated to the same rules as a motor driven cycle including state tags. Class 3 Ebikes allow the rider speeds up to 28 miles an hour with assist. That is too much assist and those speeds attained without the skill or fitness of the rider will endanger both the rider and the other riders on the trails.

Please consider allowing class 1 ebikes on appropriate Mt Bike trails. Class 2 & amp; 3 should be banned from Mt Bike trails, bike paths and multi use recreational paved paths. They ARE motor driven cycles. They should be licensed and tagged as any other motor driven cycle for use only on roads and highways that allow motor driven cycles.