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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity for the public to engage on FSM 7700 and 7710, which would revise Forest Service directives to update and clarify guidance on management of electric bicycle (e-bike) use on National Forest System lands.

I have been an avid mountain biker for 25 years and although I will likely own an ebike in the near future, they have no place on "non-motorized trails". Because they have motors, they allow users access to terrain that they would normally not ride and to ride bigger, heavier bikes repeatedly on trails that would normally be inaccessible to them. This may greatly increase the likelihood of serious injuries on remote trails as well as significant trail erosion due to overuse.

I support the classification of ebikes as motorized vehicles and suggest that these bikes only have access to trails currently open for motorized use.

Sincerely,

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Thank you for taking action!