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Comments: As an avid and long time mountain bike enthusiast I feel the need to voice my views on this topic. Any motorized or assisted vehicle should have its own place to thrive. Hiker's are at danger enough with regular mountain bikers who don't have any assistance. I experience this a few times a week when I ride in the mountains around Santa Cruz. Covid-19 has made hiking even more popular and we need to keep this in mind. We must ensure the eMTB's are distinguishable from "normal MTB's". eMTB must have a separate registration and fines instituted for when there is a violation. Public safety should be the number 1 concern here. Furthermore - riding/climbing is the part of a ride where you get the most exercise -not going downhill - with the need for our population to more healthy than ever before (healthy people fair better with Covid).. why give the people an easy out to not stay or get healthy? Sorry - you need to earn that downhill fun.