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Comments: I've been an avid MTB rider since 1985. I've also been an avid dirt-bike enthusiast since 1971. I've owned and ridden hundreds of MTBs and dirt-bikes when added together. There's a place for mountain bikes and a separate place for dirt-bikes. The two cannot exist coetaneously on the same trails. The mindset of the riders are completely different: a consciencious MTB rider will not tear up the trail, whether consciously or unconsciously. An MTB rider will not skid-brake his entry into a hairpin turn. A dirt-bike rider will do so at almost every opportunity, because even if he were to try to conserve Mother Nature, he would fail every other chance he got. The mass of such a vehicle dictates the trail destruction that it creates at such velocity transfers. It can't be helped most of the time. But that is what destroys the trails for MTBs. An MTB rider will tell you that sand is the greatest deterrent to enjoying a trail. And deep sand is what results from riding an MTB trail with a motorcycle. Riding an MTB in deep sand is a drag in more ways than one. The mixed trail traffic in Moab, Utah is an example: There are miles and miles of deep sand on the trails because of the presence of dirt-bikes on those trails. It requires lots of unnecessary toil and sweat getting through the sections where dirt-bikes have been. I'm not a dirt-bike hater. I love dirt-bike riding too. But not on trails that should remain pristine. And E-bikes have become stronger and torquier, capable of competing and performance akin to gasoline dirt-bikes. I say NO to E-bikes on MTB trails.