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Comments: I strongly encourage this action. I am 58 yrs old and limited by diminished lung capacity. I enjoy mountain biking with my son. My eMTB would fall into Class 1 and does NO more damage to trails than non-motorized bicycles. It provides 35% of the total power needed to navigate any given trail, so the total power-to-the-ground is equivalent to what would be needed to ride the same trail on a non-motorized bike with me on it. Please make these changes and allow eMTBs of Class 1 to use established mountain biking trails in recreational forests. Riding an eMTB doesn't make you a bad person. Elitism should not be allowed on public recreation lands. Fear mongering speech about eMTBs that go 55 mph should be discarded, or at least scrutinized, as the only ebikes with pedals that can come close to that speed are road bikes and you won't see those in the woods. Thanks for the opportunity to comment.