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Comments: Mountain biking single track trails generally takes commitment and years of experience. As a result, mountain bikers obtain the wisdom of sharing trails with other users, personal safety, and trail etiquette (appropriate speed, riding a trail without destroying it, etc.). An ebike allows people without experience to get deep into the back country where things can go wrong, fast. It's like a novice getting on a jet ski to do the inside passage to Alaska.

In my experience as an avid mountain biker, about half the riders I see have no helmet, are yelling for people to get out of there way, and are generally unprepared for any sort of emergency. Some are smoking cigarettes.

If ebikes are going to be allowed on any trail, they should be confined to those that already allow motor vehicles...after all, although an ebike is quiet, it still has a motor.