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Comments: Hello!

I truly hope ebikes will be allowed on the trails. I am a 41-year-old woman who used to love mountain biking. Arthritis in my knees eventually made that impossible. I cannot tell you how sad I was when I sold my bike, thinking I'd never be able to enjoy the sport again.

When I discovered ebikes, it was like getting a new lease on life. I was in Europe when I tried e-mt biking for the first time. It's allowed over there and the trails are still beautiful. It didn't seem disruptive or dangerous. I think there's a misconception that ebikes are like motorcycles. But really you still need skill, technique, and experience in order to tackle the more advanced runs. It's not like a motorcycle where anyone could get on one and go 100 miles/hr. You can't even tell the difference, in terms of the effect on the trails themselves or the culture within the community. It just allows you to go for longer, see more, and get up hills!

Ebikes make the sport accessible to those with injuries, disabilities, or other physical limitations. And I think it would allow older folks to continue riding for a lot longer.