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Comments: Ebikes are the same as motor vehicles and their use in National Forests would only damage the habitat. Not only that but the noise disturbance would affect the wildlife and an would be annoying to visitors who come to these areas because of the peaceful experience and especially for those who are birdwatchers or photographers. These ebikes would disrupt the wildlife and cause the birds to find other areas to build their nests and raise their young. Would recommend that any vehicle that uses motors to propel them be restricted to paved roads only. Even use on dirt roads would contribute to noise pollution and would contribute to damage to the dirt roads that would need to be repaired at the cost to taxpayers. Also, what's to keep people riding ebikes from leaving the roads and cutting through the forests, causing extreme damage to the natural habitat. Stricter rules should be made to protect our National Forests and the means to enforce these rules and laws be made available.