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Comments: Hello,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed FS Manual 7700 amendments regarding ebikes. I am an avid trail user - mountain biker, hiker, trail runner and a paramedic who often responds on an ebike in the backcountry to affect a rescue.

Ebikes, in essence, are motorized bikes that create problems and conflicts on non-motorized trails due to their increased speed, often-times lack of etiquette and ability of the rider, and increased incidence of rider injury. They should only be allowed on trails where motorcycles are also permitted. In addition to the challenge of enforcement and education associated with existing types of ebikes, as technology of ebikes expands, any categories the NFS creates in their policies will soon be outdated. The simplest and most harmonious decision is to allow ebikes where motorized road or trail users are permitted and not on non-motorized trails.