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Comments: It is my opinion that an e-bike is a motorized vehicle and thus should not be allowed on current trails that do not allow motorized vehicle access. The argument that use of an e-bike affords an individual trail access to areas that he or she may not be able to access without the use of an e-bike is flawed since an e-bike supplements human derived motion. If a person is able to operate an e-bike, said person is able to operate a non-motorized bike, albeit possibly to a lesser extent with regard to distance traveled. A pre requisite for riding an e-bike is that you have to be able to ride a non-motorized bike.

Allowing e-bikes on currently non-motorized trails will increase trail use which will result in degradation of trails already in need of repair. It is my opinion that e-bike use on currently non-motorized trails will impact the overall trail users experience in a negative way since an increase in trail use will back log already needed maintenance that lacks funding.

I do think e-bikes add to the bicycle experience in many situations but they do not belong on non-motorized trails.

Allowing a motorized bike on non-motorized trails sets a poor precedent for adapting to new technologies. Keep non-motorized trails as such. Keep it simple, an e-bike is a motorized vehicle and should not be allowed on non-motorized trails.