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Comments: I am 65 years old. I own a class one fat tire e-bike. My wife owns a class 2. We have been enjoying rides, both on and off road and in places that we would not be able to do or enjoy doing without the assist. We have a 5 year old grandson we want to continue being able to ride trails with as he grows stronger and we grow older. I believe allowing class one on all mountain bike trails is fair and reasonable to the majority of the public. I believe allowing class 2 to senior citizens and those legally recognized as handicapped is reasonable and respectful. I believe the class 3 bike and the speeds they can go do and would create unnecessary or additional hazards. One last consideration is that older folks like me have earned our money and are now becoming philanthropic with it. This year I donated to the Whitefish Trails and recently went to take my first ride on my Class 1 e-bike. Their trails are posted "No E bikes". That was disheartening and may impact my further contributions to them and other groups like FAMB. E bike riders are also tax payers. Usually ones that pay more than most. Please don't discriminate us because we need a little help from our friends.