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Comments: I support the Forest Service rule change to allow e-bike access to forest service trails. I am a trail steward with our local trail group and I am an avid mountain biker and equestrian. I use our local trails several days a week. I have seen some e-bike users and they have been very respectful and follow rules of trail etiquette. E-bikes improve inclusivity by allowing access to trails to folks that would not be able to experience them otherwise. I recognize that there is a fear of the speed that ebikes can achieve, but it has not been my experience to ever see folks going 20mph on the trails - even downhill. I think with careful study, local districts can determine which trails are appropriate for ebike access.