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Comments: I am a regular user of State and Federal Parks, and run and bicycle on paved trails built for those purposes.

My vote is No electric bicycles should be allowed in parks. Fire hazard; causes traffic management issues; too much risk of being taken off-road. My experience is electric bicyclists ride too fast for conditions and do not obey traffic rules/laws.

1) Bicycles should only be allowed on paved or gravel roadways suitable for normal vehicular traffic and never on foot trails or off-road. Too much trail erosion! Hikers and bicycles do not mix.

2) Any device which will add noise or air pollution should be forbidden in the parks, except for thru traffic on normal highways.

3) Fact is - our trails have become crowded to over-crowded with foot traffic to the point there is no longer "you and the wilderness". Now it is "you, the masses of humanity, all the vehicular traffic noises, and no tranquility in the woods! Introduction of bicycles and especially electric bikes will be a disaster! Allow this if you want to add budget to your CID divisions to settle all the bike vs hiker events; add to your trail maintenance budget for the extra erosion, and add to your fire management teams for the fires started when an electric vehicle decides it wants to burn up, which is not that rare!