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Comments: Dear Land Manager:

The idea that e-bikes are even being considered on public lands designated as non-motorized is difficult for me to believe. A long history and much consideration and sound science has gone into the current classification of non-motorized usage. It's purpose is to provide quiet users a peaceful and special location to recreate - away from speed, noise and commotion that are inherently part of motorized usage. Wheeled transportation, and certainly electrified bikes have absolutely no place on non-motorized trails.

The non-motorized areas themselves would be highly damaged by e-bikes and all solitude for quiet users would be destroyed. Hikers, backpackers, and equestrians will be disenfranchised and endangered by such shared uses. Non-motorized trails would in fact, be totally lost to any user that is not wheeled &/or motorized. As an equestrian user, I see this as not just a resource issue but a safety issue. It additionally amounts to de facto discrimination due to its effect.

A large percentage of public lands are already accessible by e-bikes. It is pure selfishness on the part of motorized users to attempt to gobble up every recreational asset available. This proposal represents a bold-faced business move to monopolize public lands. It is purely unacceptable.

All users are entitled to places to recreate, breathe, replenish themselves and enjoy nature without intrusion from unwanted aggressive visitation.

I urge you to soundly disapprove of this unacceptable idea.