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Comments: I am a frequent equestrian user of the trails. A regular bike provides enough challenges to desensitize a horse to much less a motorized one. The bikes are always moving so fast and rarely slow down and give the horse a moment to process this quick moving thing that could hurt them. They are very large prey animals after all. An E-bike that can go even faster could be extremely dangerous to the horses and other hikers if they are come upon to quickly to safety move off of the narrow trails. The equestrians try to work in harmony with the bikers but I would like to remind everyone it is easier to control a bike than a 1,000 pound animal with a mind and instinct all it's own,

That said, equestrians can be invaluable in maintaining these trails. We can pack in heavy equipment, our horses can pull heavy logs and trees off the trail, we can cut limbs from horse back, and we can ride quickly to areas and check for trail issues/safety. We love these trails and want to see them used in the way it was intended and for all users to enjoy them safely and without fear.