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Comments: I'm strongly opposed to allowing e-bikes on non-motorized trails. First of all, non-motorized means no motors, and any attempt to include a bike with any type of motor, no matter how small, is ridiculous. More than half of the trails on USFS land are motorized so there are ample opportunities for folks with e-bgikes to ride. I live in a mountain town with lots of trails close by, both motorized and non-motorized. Our non-motorized trails are in much better shape than the motorized trails and I would like to keep it that way as I really value these trails. Our trails are crowded, and I think opening them up to e-bikes will lead to even more people and over-crowding. I think that keeping our non-motorized trails open only to human-powered users is really important to preserve trail quality and over-crowding. I know that some argue allowing e-bikes will increase access but we do not need more trail users and anyone is already welcome use our trails, just not with a motor. Human powered only access is an important requirement for our non-motorized trails, as it helps to maintain trail quality and user experience, and helps to limit overcrowding. We have lots of mountains around us, and anyone is welcome to enjoy them as long as it's human powered, but we're not going to install chairlifts to increase access, are we?