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Comments: Dear NFS,

As a horseback rider and a bicycle rider, I do oppose allowing eBikes on public trails. We have encountered eBikes on non-motorized trails recently. They are very quiet and fast. I strongly believe they either need their own designated trails or allow them on specific bike trails. The newer generation of bicyclists does not understand the right of way when it comes to horses on the trail. Many whiz by at a high rate of speed, many horses are very startled by this. When We ask them to stop they are rude. Many are not, but there is this rub from bicyclists that they do not like horses on the trails and vice versa. I believe adding faster moving vehicles into this mist is a disaster waiting to happen. I do have a few friends that have been injured due to horse vs bike encounters. Please do not allow eBikes on backcountry trails.