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Accept Class 2 & 3 e-bikes as motorized transportation

As a long time multi-sport trail user, it is important to me to establish the difference between various classes of trail bikes and to allow Class 1 ebikes on all trails that acoustic bikes are allowed.

Class 1 e-bikes, are "pedal assist" and battery operated bikes. They do not cause any more damage or noise pollution than an acoustic bike. Permitting "pedal assist" ebikes will allow more users to experience the joys of trail riding, including those with minor (or major) physical disabilities.

I have a friend that has ridden all over these trails on an acoustic bike for years. Last year, she was diagnosed with a heart condition that renders her unable to ride an acoustic bike and the only way that she can continue to ride is on a class 1 e-bike. It matters to me that I am able to ride with her on any trail in the valley. This also goes for my aging father-in-law, who will no longer ride an acoustic bike but will ride a class 1 e-bike. Please allow these class 1 bikes access to the trails.