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Comments: To Whom It May Concern:

Generally I support the USFS efforts to variably classify e-bikes under motorized bikes/uses rubrics.

The broader issues, of course, concern ANY versions of bicycles on mountain trails. I support the agency in classifying e-bikes as a motorized use and, personally, oppose e-bikes or mountain bikes on public woodlands and trails. At the least, e-bike interests should have to go through the full process of trying to re-classify a sought-after trail as one designated "motorized uses permitted."

The whole mountain bike and e-bike phenomena are culturally recent and reflect, at best, current trends. And the whole issue of bikes concerns speed. Speed is an invalid criterion on 90% of mountain trails, I'd argue.

Yours,

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