

Data Submitted (UTC 11): 10/26/2020 3:11:37 PM

First name: Jill

Last name: Underwood

Organization:

Title:

Comments: I am writing today in regards to the use of e bikes on the trail systems. I am asking the service to please not add e bikes to any trails that are currently shared with horses. Riding with regular pedal bikes is dangerous enough without adding more speed to the situation and more users on the shared trails. Our encounters with bicycles on the trail are dangerous. We cannot hear the bikes coming and most cyclists cannot hear they are approaching us either. We come across 90% of them with earbuds in making it even harder for them to hear us. I know that anymore we, as horseback riders, try to avoid any trails with bikes allowed. The number of trails allowing horse use is getting less and less, then to add more users that dont mix well with horses is unfair. Please consider the safety of where you add the ebike use to when it comes to the safety of other users. This is not a good mix.