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Comments: Dear USFS:

I am advocating that the USFS adopt the broadest interpretation of policy that will allow ebikes full access to all USFS land except designated wilderness areas. Ebikes are a clean, efficient quiet,, carbon free form of transportation that will have minimal impact on the land and environment. Further, ebikes offer disabled persons access to enjoy public lands that would otherwise be unavailable to them. Also, ebikes would allow seniors who may have age related mobility issues an opportunity to visit, enjoy and see more of the public land than if their only option was to walk/hike.

I am 65 years old and 25% disabled with two fusions in my spinal column. Hiking is my preferred mode of transportation but limited by my disability. The ebike I have greatly expands my mobility and the opportunity to fully enjoy our natural resources nearly as well as the youth and able- bodied.

Finally, allowing everyone full access including seniors and the disabled to all public lands should be a priority and included in your policy- making decisions. I fully support and recommend that ebikes be allowed on USFS land. Thank you for your consideration.