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Comments: Thanks for the opportunity to comment on these issues. Please do not reclassify non-motorized trails as motorized to allow for eMTBs. There is already enough conflict between hikers and mountain bikers. Please consider allowing class 1 eMTBs on select non-motorized trails while retaining the trail's non-motorized status, similar to the rule recently adopted by the Department of Interior.. The best approach is to manage the three classes of e-bikes separately and prohibit class 2 and 3 eMTBs on non-motorized trails.

I'm 68 years old and, while I don't have an e-bike yet, can see myself getting one someday. But we want to manage the trails appropriately. We need separate management for regular mountain bikes and e-bikes. E-bikes are not appropriate on all trails.