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Comments: Thank you for the opportunity for public comment on FSM 7700 and 7710.

We believe that there will be misdirection in funding away from mountain biking. Many of the well known trails around the country were built by the mountain bike community. By enacting the new updates that funding would be put into jeopardy and trail maintenance and updates could potentially cease.

We also think that user conflict could increase with the new updates. There is no way to regulate the classes of eMTB (i.e. Class 1 versus 2 or 3). If trail systems are changed to motorized then there will certainly be an increase in the number of users. While this seems like a wonderful idea and the basis of how many people expect public lands to be used, it can cause way too many issues with safety.

Finally, we know that eMTB presents a unique challenge in land management and appreciate all that you do. We do however think that USFS should follow the guidelines already in place from the Department of the Interior.

Thanks again for your time.

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