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Comments: As an equestrian who utilizes public lands for horseback riding, I am VERY concerned about the safety of riders when trails are shared by e-bikes. Equestrians are very limited in the trails we have access to and shared trails are rarely an enjoyable experience. Horses by the nature of their being view bikes as predators and often react violently when they encounter them on the trail. While the degree of reaction varies depending on multiple factors (temperament, training, experience, courtesy of the bike rider, etc.), the forced sharing of these resources creates a higher likelihood of negative encounters. Please consider this when incorporating policies that allow for shared trails between equestrians and others particular motorized vehicles.