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Comments: I am totally opposed to allowing e-bikes on federal lands and trails. I am a horseback rider and we have problems already with mountain bikes sharing our trails. One time I was leading my young horse on a narrow winding trail in hills on BLM land and two mountain bikers came around a corner and almost collided with my horse and me, my horse jumped backwards and luckily stayed on the trail, but if he had spooked sideways he would have gone down a steep hill. And these mountain bikers were actually involved with teaching people how to ride their mountain bikes safely with horses on the trails, but they still almost caused a bad accident.

More recently this year, I was leading my horse in a forested park on a flat wide trail and an e-bike came up behind us, my horse jumped. I never even heard the e-bike which makes it very dangerous, if I had, I could have been prepared to get my horse safely off the trail. I didn't even realize it was an e-bike at first, then figured out what it was.

It is very dangerous to allow these e-bikes on trails with horses. Horses and their riders will get injured as well as the e-bike riders. Furthermore, our federal trails should be for non motorized users only. It is bad enough now that there are fewer trails for equestrians that are safe and that equestrians are allowed to ride on. Also, I believe that our federal trails should be enjoyed on foot or horseback only, not by ruining the outdoors by allowing motorized vehicles.