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Comments: I am a 74 year old mountain biker. I have been riding since the late 1980's. I have been active in trail development and advocacy for mountain biking. Recently I purchased a Class 1 e-mtb and it has brought tremendous joy back to my riding. I was chosen to participate in an e-bike trail use study in my county and have been able to mix my riding with regular mountain bikers, hikers, trail runners and horseback riders without any negative issues. There is a lot of misunderstanding of what a Class I e-mtb is and part of my task in the study has been to educate people about them. Recently I spent two weeks riding the trails in Park City, UT where e-mtbs are allowed if the rider is over 65 or has a medical issue and was pleased to see the mix of trail users working well together. I tell people that it's not the bike, it's the rider that makes the difference on the trails. I support Class I e-mtbs on forest service trails that are appropriate for regular mountain bikes. Thank you for allowing this input.