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Comments: I fully support allowing Class 1 e-mtb on USFS lands. I am a hiker, a mountain biker, a gravel road rider, a trail builder, and a founder of our local trail organization Northeast Arkansas Trails Organization. I have spent thousands of volunteer hours on our local trail systems and the Syllamo Bike Trail performing trail maintenance. It is my experience, that the Syllamo trail system is under utilized due to lack of maintenance of overgrowth on the trail, primarily because of a lack of trail use. More trail volume brings more trail volunteers who help keep the trail corridors clear. Allowing Class 1 mtbs would encourage more family rides on these systems. For my personal example, I ride a mountain bike (Ibis Ripmo) and my wife rides a Class 1 emtb (Specialized Levo). The use of her emtb gives us the opportunity to enjoy our rides on the trail at the same pace and can enjoy being on the trails for more hours of enjoyment. Also, for a trail system such as the Syllamo, E-mtbs will allow trail volunteers a better opportunity to ride to many different work areas to perform trail maintenance . Thank you.