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Comments: Dear Mr. Ham,

I would like to incorporate by reference the comments of Backcountry Horsemen of America and Arkansas Backcountry Horsemen. In the case of changes allowing e-bikes in non-motorized areas in the Buffalo River Watershed I feel the USFS is starting down a slippery slope where the terminus is allowing mountain bikes and e-bikes in Wilderness. Sometimes you have to draw the line outside of the Wilderness boundary to effectively protect the wilderness character. You have the opportunity to draw that line.

Adding high speed nearly silent e-bikes to trails with limited sight distances will undoubtedly result in equestrian mishaps exceeding the normal risk level of those activities . Will USFS be liable for injuries and damages this will cause?

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.