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Comments: I would strongly support the use of class 1 E bikes on all mountain bike trails. In places where they are allowed, I see no conflict with other mountain bike users. I frequently ride in mixed groups of e Bikes and non eBikes and it works well. As a 66 year old who has mountain biked as long as there have been mountain bikes, I find it more and more difficult to access the trails that I have ridden all my life. Ebike's have changed that in a positive way. I see friends in their 70's reconnecting with mountain bike riding now that class 1 ebikes are available. They are now avid riders who cover the available trails frequently. It has been a life changing technology for many of us. I have seen no personal evidence that class 1 ebikes damage trails or disrupt traffic. Canada has now allowed class 1 ebike on all bike trails, with no negative results. It's not an issue. The only damage that I've seen has been to the ego of a few young, tough friends who find a 66 year old rider and his wife keeping up with them. Im excited to see the Jackson Ranger District address this by opening some trails. Hopefully we will see more in the future and see the trend carry over into the Driggs area.