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Comments: On Teton Pass, the use of Class 1 E-bikes on the downhill trails makes sense but not north of Highway 22 on Arrow Trail, Sno-tel, Phillips Ridge and Phillips Canyon.

The downhill trails south of the pass are one-way so the e bikes would be using the old pass road and the Phillips Connector for uphill traffic. This makes sense because it does not cause user conflict. There is plenty of room for an e-bike to pass a non-e-bike, hiker or other user while going uphill.

North of Highway 22 are single lane, multi-use and multi-direction trails. If e-bikes were allowed here, all of the sudden we will have uphill traffic on Phillips Canyon which is not very rideable uphill without motorized assistance. The use of E-bikes on Phillips Canyon would significantly increase traffic and conflict. Expecting a non-e-bike to use extra energy to pull off the Phillips Ridge trail while ascending to let an e-bike pass who is ascending at a faster rate seems like an unfair burden. Bikes pulling over for horses and hikers makes perfect sense but not for a motor in a traditionally non-motorized area.

However, I would love to see a permit system for people with disabilities to use e-bikes on all trails.