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Comments: I am writing to express my support for the proposed initiative to allow Class 1 e-bikes on designated non-motorized trails within the Jackson Ranger District. This forward-thinking approach opens up new opportunities for a wide range of users, especially those with physical limitations who may not otherwise be able to access or enjoy these trails. E-bikes help create a more inclusive and accessible outdoor experience, and I believe this initiative is a positive step in expanding recreational access to the Teton National Forest.

I also understand the rationale behind the proposed permit system for e-bike use, which will help ensure compliance with regulations and promote responsible trail use. However, I would like to suggest that the system be more focused on education rather than enforcement. It would be beneficial if e-bike users could receive a sticker verifying their bike's compliance with the Class 1 designation on the spot if questioned by law enforcement about the lack of a permit.

A more educative approach would help foster a positive relationship between e-bike riders and other trail users while promoting responsible riding practices. Making the process easy, accessible, and clear would encourage users to follow the rules and respect the trails rather than creating barriers that might discourage participation.

I appreciate the Jackson Ranger District's efforts to involve the community and create a balanced approach to trail access. I believe this initiative has great potential to benefit all trail users, and I hope my suggestion for an easier, more educational approach to the permit system will be considered.

Thank you for your time and for considering my thoughts on this matter. I look forward to seeing the positive impact this initiative will have on our community and the future of trail access in the Teton area.