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Comments: *Access: Support a balanced decision between 'Alternative 1' and the original 'Proposed Action' for this project. We also encourage the consideration of developing more accessible, entry level trails. *E-Bike Class Management: Supports the designation and management of Class 1 eMTBS ONLY on all purpose-built, bike-optimized singletrack trails. (Teton Pass and Shadow Mtn.) The throttles of Class 2 e-bikes and the power output of Class 3 e-bikes create an experience that deviates from mountain biking, potentially compromising the integrity of the trail networks proposed. It is important to consider the intention of these trails and the capabilities of the bikes that will be using them. No leading mountain bike manufacturers are currently producing full suspension Class 2 or 3 electric mountain bikes, further supporting the recommendation that Class 1 eMTBs are the most appropriate for the trails proposed.

*New Trail Development: Support of the identified trail development in Shadow Mountain Area and Mosquito Creek. Though, the proposed amount of trail is not sufficient to meet the purpose and need outlined in the original proposal.

*Teton Pass: Support of class 1, eMBT access on Old Pass Highway and directional, bike optimized trails. Support management of class 1, eMTBs on the north side of Teton Pass.

*Seasonal Closures: Support that a, June 15th - October 31st open season for eMTBs in the Horsetail and Munger Areas would be a sufficient to mitigate wildlife conflict while allowing a longer riding season than alternative 1.