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Comments: My husband and I have lived and mountain biked in Summit County every summer for over 15 years. About three years ago we needed to use e-bikes due to the high altitude. During our time riding e-bikes on many trails around the US, we have determined several things. (1) E-bikes do not damage the trails any more than regular bikes. (2) E-bikers, in general, do not have a higher average speed on trails than regular bikes because the trails determine what speed we can safely ride. (3). For most people, the purpose of an e-bike is to help us up hills and over technical parts, and to ride longer, not faster. (4) There will always be people who ride too fast and damage trails and are rude, but e-bikes are not the problem, rude people are the problem and THAT problem is what should be addressed. (5) E-bikers should not be penalized for incorrect public perceptions about this issue.

I would like to ask that e-bikers be allowed to ride on any trails on which non e-bikes are allowed. Furthermore, I would like to see a campaign to promote responsible riding practices for all riders on all kinds of bikes! Thank you for considering my concerns.