Electrical Assist Bicycles on WDFW- and DNR- Managed Lands

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(1) The department of natural resources and the department of fish and wildlife shall each undergo a public process to collect information related to electric-assisted bicycle use on nonmotorized natural surface trails and closed roads open to bicycles to determine where such use may occur, and which classes of electric-assisted bicycles are acceptable on such trails and roads under the agencies' management. The public processes must also include a consideration of opportunities to improve awareness of applicable trail rules and trail etiquette among all classes of trail users.

(2) The public processes shall include, but not be limited to, input from tribes, individuals with disabilities, representatives of natural resource conservation organizations, and representatives of outdoor recreation interests representing horseback riding, traditional and electric-assisted mountain biking, hiking, and hunting. The department of natural resources and the department of fish and wildlife must report their findings to the appropriate committees of the legislature by September 30, 2022.
E-bike Classifications

* "Electric-assisted bicycle" (e-bike) means a bicycle with two or three wheels, a saddle, fully operative pedals, and an electric motor. The motor must have a power output of no more than 750 watts. RCW 46.04.168
Current Electric-Assisted Bicycle Rules

Class 1

DO YOU HAVE AN ADA* PARKING PLACARD?

NO

Class 2

YES

Class 3
LITERATURE REVIEW

Environmental Impacts
Tribal Impacts
Social Impacts
Accessibility
Technology
Policy Examples
Tribal engagement

2 Tribal Roundtables
19 tribes
30 representatives
E-Bike Public Process

Public survey

Public Town Halls

Focus Group

Listening Sessions
Public engagement

- 2 Town hall meetings
- 4 Focus group meetings
- 6 Listening Sessions
- General themes ...

E-BIKE PUBLIC PROCESS
Share input and feedback on the use of electric-assisted bicycles on DNR and WDFW non-motorized natural surface trails and closed roads.

Take an online survey

For more information visit: dnr.wa.gov/ebikes

PROCESO PÚBLICO DE E-BIKES
Comparta sus opiniones y comentarios sobre el uso de bicicletas eléctricas asistidas en senderos de superficie natural no motorizados y caminos cerrados administrados por DNR y WDFW.

Toma una encuesta en línea

Español / Spanish

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