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From: GREG RYAN <ryan.greg@comcast.net>
Sent: Tuesday, January 4, 2022 11:31 AM
To: Board Comment
Subject: Solution to EBike Disability Regulations

In case you haven't seen this...below is an informative email from the Superintendent of Marin County Open Space **with a link** to how they handle EBike disability issues. Seems like a good way to piggyback Ebike regulations especially since the Mt.Tam and Open Space lands are adjoining:

----- Original Message -----

From: "Golan, Ari" <AGolan@marincounty.org>
To: "ryan.greg@comcast.net" <ryan.greg@comcast.net>
Date: 01/04/2022 10:51 AM
Subject: RE: E Bikes

Mr. Ryan,

Thank you for reaching out about e-bikes on Marin County Open Space District (MCOSD) land. In accordance with Code Section 02.04.010, of the Marin County Code, electric bicycles and other motor-driven vehicles are not permitted within Marin County Open Space District preserves except when used as Other Power-driven Mobility Devices (OPDMD) by individuals with mobility disabilities. OPDMD use is subject to limitations and regulations of the Marin County Open Space District Inclusive Access Plan. One such limitation specified in the Plan is a 6 mph speed limit.

Here is a link to the plan: https://link.edgepilot.com/s/4e1af3c2/85OUtC4sYUq6UHICBBM-Cw?u=https://gcc02.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%253A%252F%252Fwww.marincounty.org%252F-%252Fmedia%252Ffiles%252Fsites%252Fmarin-county-parks%252Fprojects-and-plans%252Fguiding-documents%252Fguidingdocuments_inclusiveaccessplan_2016.pdf%253F%253Den%26amp%3Bdata=02%257C01%257CAGolan%2540marincounty.org%257C92118c48ac6a47db2ecf08d82da3bf0a%257Cd272712e54ee458485b3934c194eeb6d%257C0%257C1%257C637309528612219196%26amp%3Bdata=3rwFRkgINMOpQsZpiG7eMtpo2xdTSeeD2qFHEOmiWSk%253D%26amp%3Breserved=0

Please feel free to give me a call should you have additional questions/comments.

Best,

Ari



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From: ryan.greg@comcast.net <ryan.greg@comcast.net>
Sent: Monday, January 3, 2022 4:43 PM
To: Golan, Ari <AGolan@marincounty.org>
Subject: E Bikes

greg ryan would like information about:
Hello Ari,

Elias suggested I email you:

E-bikes are motorcycles.
Motorcycles don't belong on hiking or biking trails.

There are thousands of blind corners in Marin Open Space. With combined speeds of 50mph (motorcycles going up and mountain bikers coming down) these accidents will happen for both hikers and mountain bikers and a lawsuit against Marin County.

E-motorcycles are becoming more prevalent (bolstered by future lower prices) and there will be many E-bikes

Like any motorized product evolution, E-motorcycles will have faster speeds

The E-motorcycle supporters will bring up ADA issues, however, we all know in California this will just encourage exploitation similar to the abuse now of handicap placards for cars.

Current E-motorcyclists have already demonstrated abuses in the bay area (e.g. going where they are not allowed, speeding and safety issues)

E-motorcycles are not allowed on the peninsula - for good reasons

Lawsuits will become inevitable with your Dept.

Greg Ryan

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