

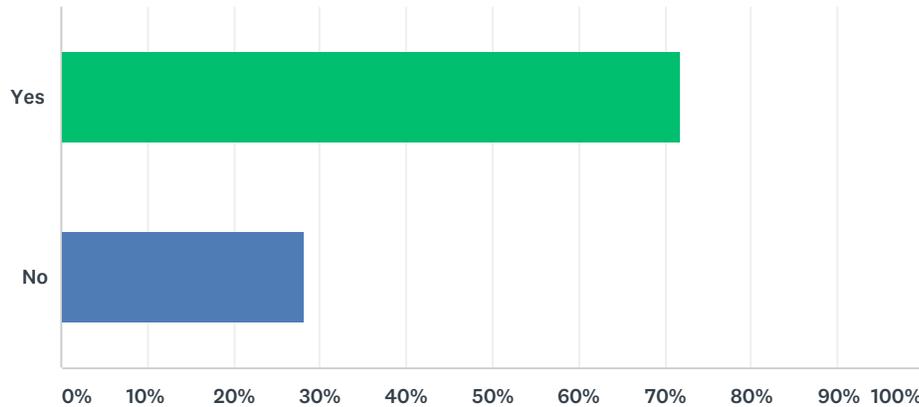
Phase II E-bike Survey Results

SurveyMonkey Report

June 2018

Q1 Have you ever ridden an e-bike?

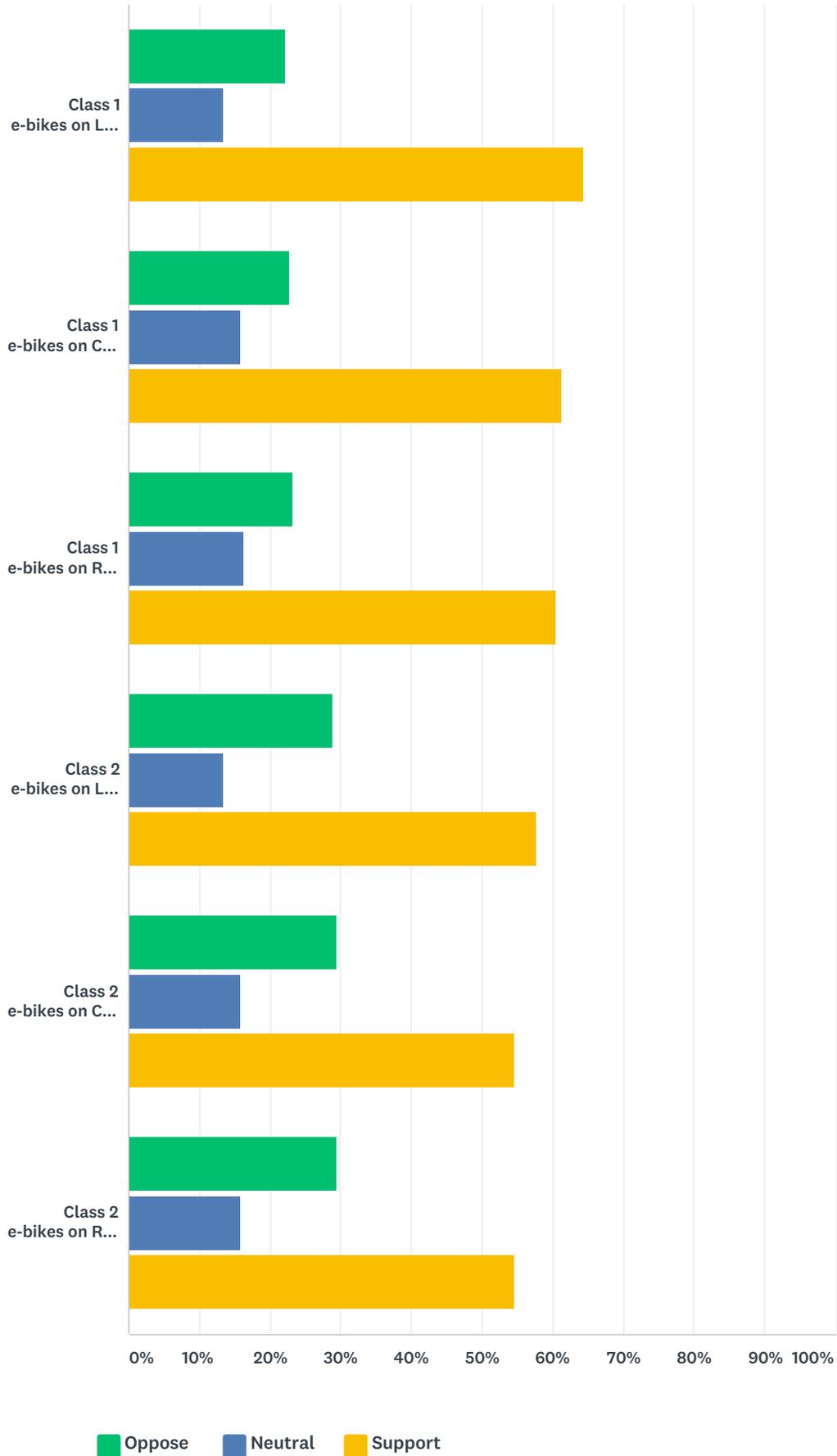
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	71.74%	33
No	28.26%	13
TOTAL		46

Q2 Staff proposes allowing class 1 and class 2 e-bikes on the following regional trails in Boulder County. Please indicate your support or opposition for this recommendation:

Answered: 45 Skipped: 1



Oppose Neutral Support

	OPPOSE	NEUTRAL	SUPPORT	TOTAL
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Class 1 e-bikes on LoBo Trail	22.22% 10	13.33% 6	64.44% 29	45
Class 1 e-bikes on Coal Creek Trail	22.73% 10	15.91% 7	61.36% 27	44
Class 1 e-bikes on Rock Creek Trail	23.26% 10	16.28% 7	60.47% 26	43
Class 2 e-bikes on LoBo Trail	28.89% 13	13.33% 6	57.78% 26	45
Class 2 e-bikes on Coal Creek Trail	29.55% 13	15.91% 7	54.55% 24	44
Class 2 e-bikes on Rock Creek Trail	29.55% 13	15.91% 7	54.55% 24	44

Q3 Please briefly explain why you answered that way:

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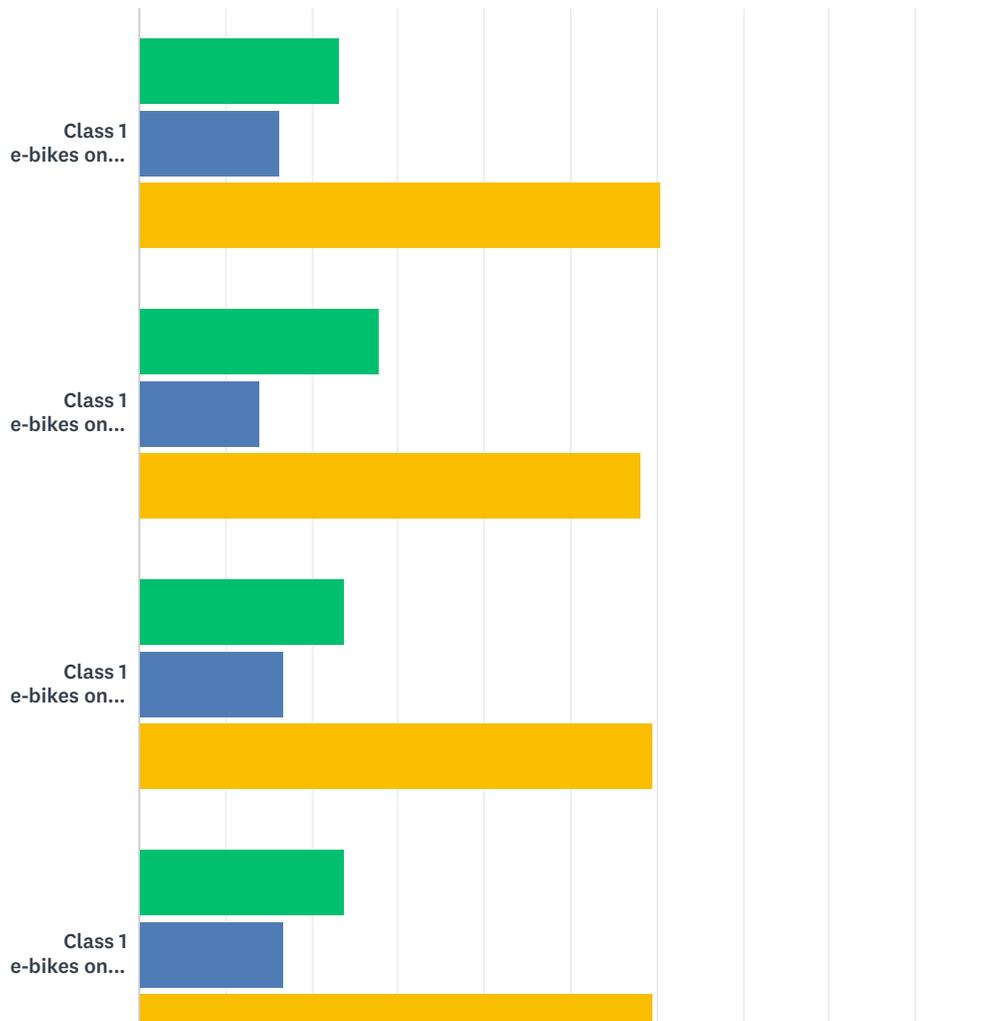
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1	con Two dear friends of mine we paralyzed from the neck down by collisions with inexperienced cyclists being careless on trails. Add a motor to this and it's a recipe for disaster. Motors are NOT the same as human powered bikes. E bikes allow less experienced cyclists to go faster or equally as fast as seasoned cyclists. If this law passes, and I hope it does not, but if it does, E-bike riders should have to take a TRAIL ETIQUETTE CLASS in the same way the dog guardians must take a class and PAY A FEE for green tags. There must be SOME DIFFERENTIATION if the two vehicles are allowed to share trails. MAJOR LIFETIME INJURIES will increase otherwise.	6/17/2018 9:55 AM
2	pro After riding an eBike (Class 1 and 2) I don't feel they are any more dangerous than a regular bike and should be allowed on all trails that currently allow bicycles.	6/16/2018 9:16 AM
3	con pro I support class one as pedal assist and neutral to oppose throttle class 2.	6/14/2018 9:22 AM
4	pro I have ridden an E-Bike over 3300 miles. Every rider needs to learn respect to other trail users. I am 69 years old. E-Bikes have extended my range. I am able to ride more have more fun.	6/14/2018 9:20 AM
5	See Public Comment	6/10/2018 8:00 PM
6	pro E Bikes should be allowed on these trails and adhere to the same laws as standard bikes (speed limit, etc)	6/5/2018 9:52 AM
7	pro These bikes are hardly any different than a regular bike. They don't go any faster, weigh slightly more than a regular bike and won't do any more damage than a non-electric powered bicycle. These bikes are going to let me commute to work in what would be a too sweaty too long of a ride, it will be one more car thats off the road.	6/4/2018 7:41 PM
8	pro Ebikes are bicycle. They are not moped. More people using an ebikes will mean less people driving cars, using ATV or any other gas burning vehicles.	6/4/2018 12:08 PM
9	pro Trails wide enough for safe use	6/3/2018 9:38 PM
10	con There are too many bikes on the paths as it is, it's dangerous at this point. To add the E bike is inviting more accidents, more traffic to manage and absolutely LESS enjoyment as a result.	5/28/2018 8:30 PM
11	pro Seems fair.	5/27/2018 1:22 PM
12	pro pro class 3 These trails are totally suitable for commuting and recreational use. I also support class 3 on these trails, and am baffled why these are excluded. As a fat person, I need the extra oomph, and am annoyed that my class of person is excluded for no discernible reason.	5/25/2018 1:51 PM
13	pro There is no good valid reason to prohibit ebikes on these trails.	5/25/2018 12:22 PM

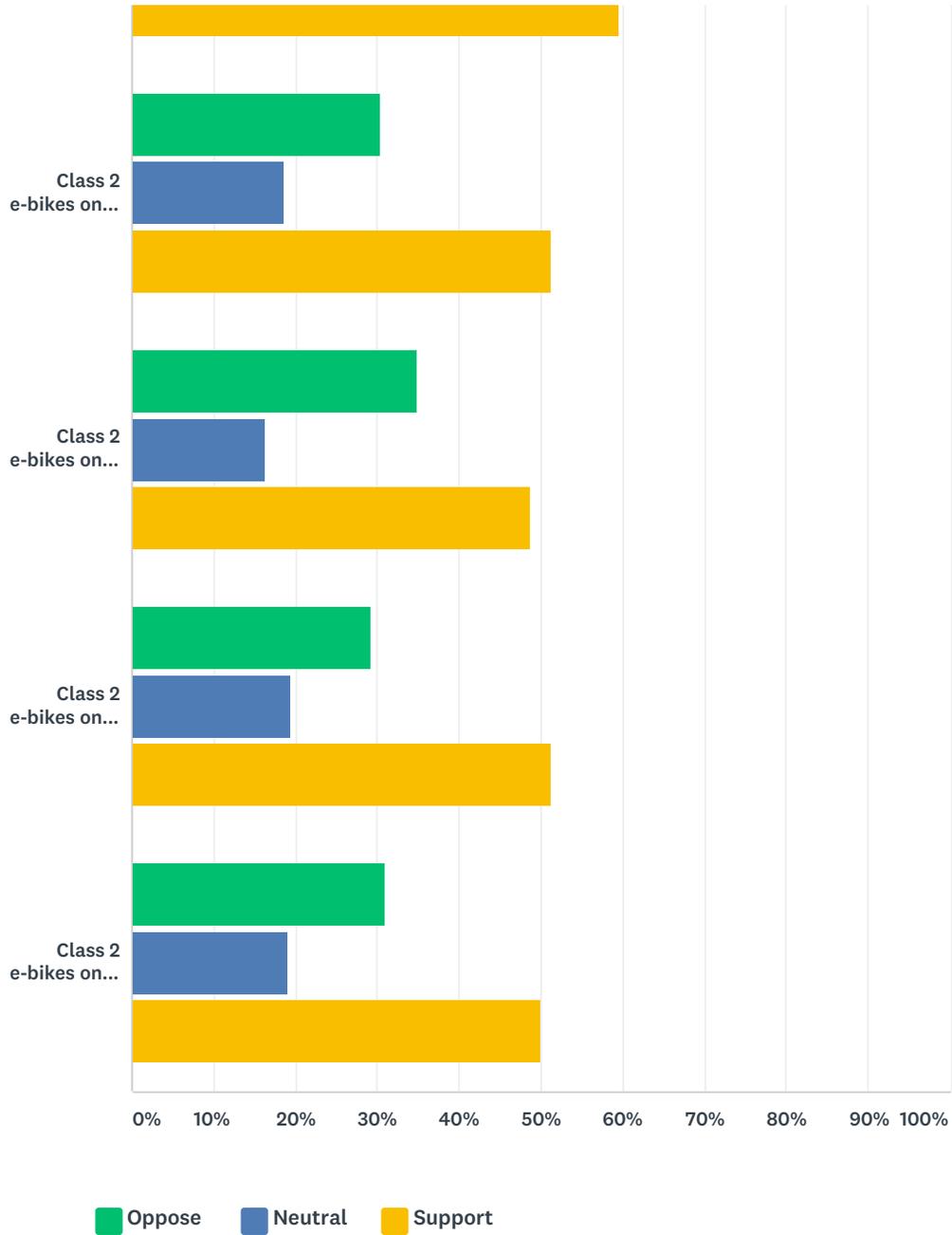
14	pro Class 1 and 2 E-bikes are bikes which allow those of us who are older or not lean, mean racing machines to enjoy the open spaces and trails we pay taxes to support. I find arguments that e-bikers will destroy trails or run hikers off the trails absurd. This is what many mountain bikers do, but nobody bans them. I want to be able to ride my Class 1 e-bike on the trails. I would never go off-piste or run a hiker off the trail.	5/25/2018 11:12 AM
15	con if you can't pedal yourself around these popular, crowded and safe (for now) trails under your own steam go somewhere else and leave these to the able-bodied who want to pedal honest times. you e-bike people already are over-running; trails across the area with no regard for dangerous speed difeerentials you causel These arent motorcycle trails.	5/25/2018 2:45 AM
16	pro LoBo trail is for commuters, the perfect case for e-bikes.	5/24/2018 6:20 PM
17	con If a motorized bicycle can go 20mph by itself;1. that's too fast for any trail with human power only. 2. If you allow Cl.2 then you need to allow engine powered cycles of similar scope. After all, if you put a motor on a cycle that's called a MOTORCYCLE!	5/24/2018 5:50 PM
18	pro I live in S Boulder so bike these trails all the time. I've seen a few e-bikes on them - so? Doesn't bother me a bit.	5/24/2018 2:20 PM
19	pro My wife is not technically disabled, but has chronic pain. My mom is not disabled, but is nearly 80 and can't walk far. I very much want them to be able to enjoy some of Boulder's beautiful trails on an e-bike.	5/24/2018 12:43 PM
20	pro no need to limit access more access means more taxes raised	5/24/2018 9:53 AM
21	pro People with disabilities need to get outside and ride too. It's discrimination if trails are closed to them.	5/24/2018 7:26 AM
22	con Today I was passed by an e-mountain bike at Hall Ranch today by a 60 year old guy who was barely pedaling. He passed my like I was standing still while he was barely pedaling. He came up on me very fast and scared the hell out of me. I don't think e-bikes should be on trail systems at all. Street use only!	5/23/2018 8:01 PM
23	pro I support e-bikes on the trails that are more plains-set and more usable for alternative transportation and less used for recreation.	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
24	con E-bikes limited at 20mph will be the fastest vehicles on the trails. Most people ride at 10-15mph. E-bikes will encourage higher speed riding. I have *rarely* seen a physically impaired person on an e-bike (maybe 2 in the past 10 years). The vast majority are operated by young, nominally fit, males.	5/23/2018 12:43 PM
25	con I do not support this without a speed limit for these bikes. I was recently startled and almost crashed as an e-bike zipped by me at close to 40mph in my estimate.	5/23/2018 12:40 PM
26	pro anything that will keep people off the roads in a car is a good thing to promote. Ebikes are a great form of transport for anyone of any physical ability. Also, if like me and live in the foothills, the ebike allows me to ride from my door into town, thus keeping my car off the road as much as possible.	5/23/2018 10:57 AM
27	pro These are important Transportation routes for some and enjoyable Recreation for others	5/23/2018 10:08 AM
28	con I don't want someone zooming by me when I'm enjoying a quiet calm walk.	5/23/2018 10:02 AM
29	pro eBikes are a critical part of supporting health and wellness for disabled and aging folks, and a number of friends of mine are part of this population. I like to be able to get out with them and share the trails and outdoor experience.	5/23/2018 9:13 AM
30	pro I ride an ebike because of my physical disabilities. My husband and I ride bikes as a way to connect with the beautiful place we are fortunate to live in. I've been riding for years with no different impact to these trails than other bike riders. My enjoyment shouldn't be limited by my ability. To do so would be discrimination against abilities.	5/23/2018 8:32 AM
31	pro I want to use these trails	5/23/2018 7:16 AM
32	pro These trails are used by commuters and they have good sight lines to minimize conflicts with other trail users.	5/22/2018 10:23 PM
33	con Get people to get into shape not enable them to gain more weight. Let them be on ROADS and follow the law, or get a ticket.	5/22/2018 8:40 PM
34	pro As ebikes will, like regular bikes, be used for recreation and commuting, it makes sense to allow these on the main routes.	5/22/2018 7:45 PM

35	con E-bikes simply go too fast and will most likely be used by people with the lesser experience riding to get an edge in getting up & around trails.	5/22/2018 5:58 PM
36	I am not familiar with this trail and don't have an opinion.	5/22/2018 11:12 AM
37	pro Commuting value of such trails	5/22/2018 10:41 AM
38	con I would change my response to support (on appropriate trails only) if there were rules regarding speed and yielding to pedestrians that could actually be enforced, and if the approval were a pilot that could easily be reversed if there were problems.	5/22/2018 8:50 AM
39	con The trails are overcrowded. I have already been pushed off trails by E-bikes. I want a natural experience, not a mortorized experience on the trail.	5/21/2018 9:53 PM
40	pro ebikes should be considered for commuting on these trails not recreational riding. These are very wide, mostly flat, straight trails that are used to get in and out of Boulder so I am ok with it.	5/21/2018 9:11 PM
41	pro I use my e-bike for commuting and errands. I really love that I can go for longer distances than I would on my regular bike and wear my work clothes to commute.	5/21/2018 8:18 PM
42	pro It is very reasonable to allow class 1 and 2 ebikes on the LoBo trail. I don't know the other trails so can't offer comment.	5/21/2018 7:24 PM

Q4 Staff proposes allowing class 1 and class 2 e-bikes on the following County Parks & Open Space properties located in the plains. Please indicate your support or opposition for this recommendation:

Answered: 44 Skipped: 2





	OPPOSE	NEUTRAL	SUPPORT	TOTAL
Class 1 e-bikes on Lagerman Agricultural Preserve	23.26% 10	16.28% 7	60.47% 26	43
Class 1 e-bikes on Coalton Trailhead	27.91% 12	13.95% 6	58.14% 25	43
Class 1 e-bikes on Carolyn Holmberg Preserve at Rock Creek Farm	23.81% 10	16.67% 7	59.52% 25	42
Class 1 e-bikes on Harney-Lastoka Trail	23.81% 10	16.67% 7	59.52% 25	42
Class 2 e-bikes on Lagerman Agricultural Preserve	30.23% 13	18.60% 8	51.16% 22	43
Class 2 e-bikes on Coalton Trailhead	34.88% 15	16.28% 7	48.84% 21	43

Class 2 e-bikes on Carolyn Holmberg Preserve at Rock Creek Farm	29.27% 12	19.51% 8	51.22% 21	41
Class 2 e-bikes on Harney-Lastoka Trail	30.95% 13	19.05% 8	50.00% 21	42

Q5 Please briefly explain why you answered that way:

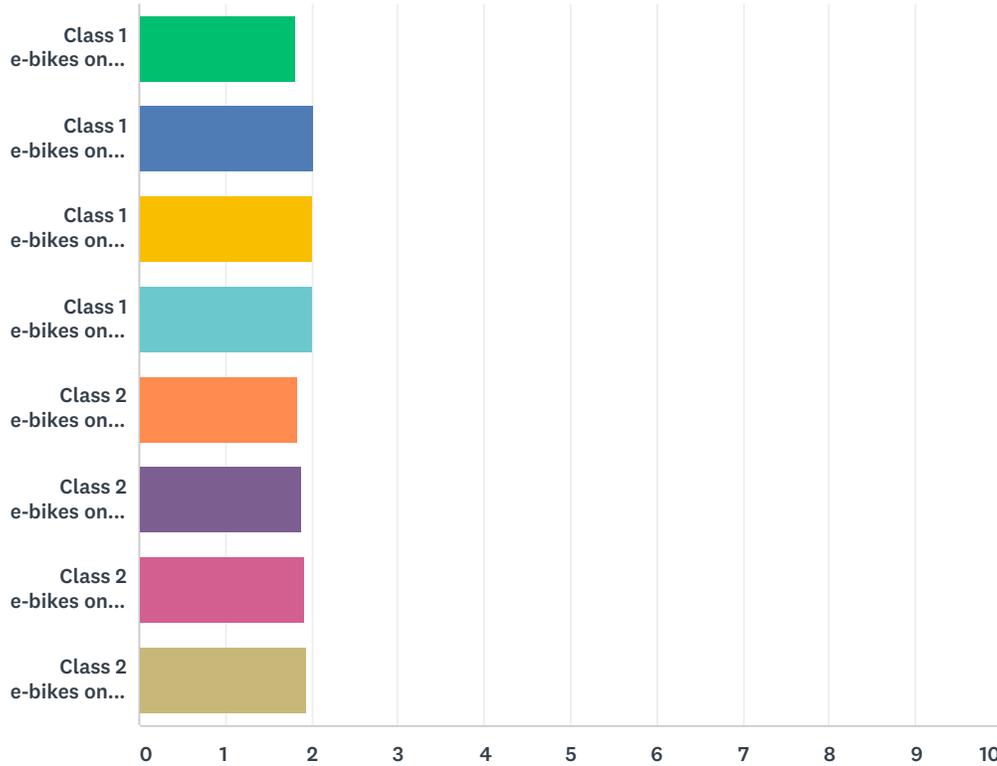
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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	con Carolyn Holmberg is one of the last peaceful wildlife preserves in the east county. If e bikes are allowed on these trails riders should PAY A FEE and have to TAKE A CLASS ON TRAIL ETIQUETTE. Inexperienced cyclists out for a day on a motorized vehicle side by side with non motorized vehicles is a recipe for disaster and long term personal injury. I am 61 years old and I understand that w bikes are great, especially for elderly populations. But there are plenty of road bike lanes where other motorized vehicles are allowed. Many of these roads are low on traffic. Don't despoil our open spaces!! Please!!	6/17/2018 9:55 AM
2	pro Once again, after riding an eBike (Class 1 and 2) I don't feel they are any more dangerous than a regular bike and should be allowed on all trails that currently allow bicycles.	6/16/2018 9:16 AM
3	See Public Comment	6/10/2018 8:00 PM
4	con Specifically, the mayhoffer singletree trail is a winding singletrack trail that has a few very blind corners on very loose dirt and gravel which creates a future problem of bikes skidding out and falling due to abrupt interaction of fast-electric bikes, or walkers, runners, and dogs being run into. Also, there is a long section of very poorly maintained tall grass and weeds, an area where passing anyone has always been problematic. Ebikes will likely congest this issue trying to squeeze through ahead since they will think they are faster. Ebikes should be left to only the true-double wide trails and not connecting trails that are only single wide.	6/5/2018 12:32 PM
5	pro Again, easy to access and relatively flat trails for people of all ages and body types to enjoy our open space.	6/5/2018 9:52 AM
6	pro See answer to #3. These bikes are also very quite, I think you'd be hard pressed to know an ebike if you saw one with a frame integrated battery. Most of the weight from a bike/rider combo is from the rider. So an overweight (or larger) rider on a regular bike could easily surpass the weight of a fit rider on an ebike. What tends to do more damage to trails are riders who skid on the trails, not heavier riders rolling over them.	6/4/2018 7:41 PM
7	pro wide areas safe enough to control the bikes	6/3/2018 9:38 PM
8	con same as above... too many bikes, too many accidents, too much management, etc.	5/28/2018 8:30 PM
9	pro Seems fair.	5/27/2018 1:22 PM
10	See previous.	5/25/2018 1:51 PM
11	pro There is no good valid reason to prohibit ebikes on these trails.	5/25/2018 12:22 PM
12	pro See above. E-bikes are bikes, and anywhere a street bike or a mountain bike can go, an e-bike should be allowed, too. These comments that e-bikes are motorcycles are ridiculous when applied to Class 1 and 2 e-bikes. Enforcement would be a nightmare, and some people need the battery-assist. Would you ban a wheelchair?	5/25/2018 11:12 AM
13	con these aren't motorcycle trails they're for people who earn their revs. these e-bikes should absolutely never ever be allowed on gravel/dirt	5/25/2018 2:45 AM
14	con Allowing e-bikes at Coalton Trailhead will result in uninformed riders taking them on the rest of the trails at Marshall Mesa and even west of 93.	5/24/2018 6:20 PM
15	Same as previous reasoning.	5/24/2018 5:50 PM
16	pro These are all wide, largely flat trails, with long field-of-view. No problems.	5/24/2018 2:20 PM

17	pro My wife is not technically disabled, but has chronic pain. My mom is not disabled, but is nearly 80 and can't walk far. I very much want them to be able to enjoy some of Boulder's beautiful trails on an e-bike.	5/24/2018 12:43 PM
18	pro more access is a good thing ebikes don't create any more damage tan reg bikes	5/24/2018 9:53 AM
19	pro People with disabilities need access to ride their bikes in beautiful places too. No discrimination!	5/24/2018 7:26 AM
20	con They suck!	5/23/2018 8:01 PM
21	Same reason as above.	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
22	con Same reasons as above. Boulder should look to see what problems the Netherlands has had to face with motorized bikes. At least in Europe the cutoff for the lower class vehicles is 25kph (15.5mph).	5/23/2018 12:43 PM
23	con I do not support this without a speed limit for these bikes. I was recently startled and almost crashed as an e-bike zipped by me at close to 40mph in my estimate.	5/23/2018 12:40 PM
24	see the above answer	5/23/2018 10:57 AM
25	pro Class 1 and 2 e-bikes go no faster than a fit recreational cyclist, let alone Pro racers	5/23/2018 10:08 AM
26	See above answer	5/23/2018 10:02 AM
27	pro eBikes are a critical part of supporting health and wellness for disabled and aging folks, and a number of friends of mine are part of this population. I like to be able to get out with them and share the trails and outdoor experience.	5/23/2018 9:13 AM
28	pro I ride an ebike because of my physical disabilities. My husband and I ride bikes as a way to connect with the beautiful place we are fortunate to live in. I've been riding for years with no different impact to these trails than other bike riders. My enjoyment shouldn't be limited by my ability. To do so would be discrimination against abilities.	5/23/2018 8:32 AM
29	pro i want to use these trails	5/23/2018 7:16 AM
30	pro These trails have good sight lines to minimize conflict with other users. I support the use of ebikes for folks that need a little assistance to enjoy the outdoors.	5/22/2018 10:23 PM
31	con Get people to get into shape not enable them to gain more weight. Let them be on ROADS and follow the law, or get a ticket.	5/22/2018 8:40 PM
32	pro I agree with the arguments put forward in the plan for these trails.	5/22/2018 7:45 PM
33	Same	5/22/2018 5:58 PM
34	I am not familiar with this trail and don't have an opinion.	5/22/2018 11:12 AM
35	Ditto	5/22/2018 10:41 AM
36	I would change my response to support (on appropriate trails only) if there were rules regarding speed and yielding to pedestrians that could actually be enforced, and if the approval were a pilot that could easily be reversed if there were problems.	5/22/2018 8:50 AM
37	con See above answer. You are ruining my natural experience.	5/21/2018 9:53 PM
38	ok with using Class 1 for commuting. Class 2 is not that far from a motorcycle in terms of speed.	5/21/2018 9:11 PM
39	pro I think riding in the plains allows people to enjoy even if they are not super-fit riders.	5/21/2018 8:18 PM
40	pro I only know the Lagerman trail. It's open and wide enough to allow these types of bikes.	5/21/2018 7:24 PM

Q6 Staff proposes prohibiting class 1 and class 2 e-bikes on the following County Parks & Open Space properties located in the plains. Please indicate your support or opposition for this recommendation:

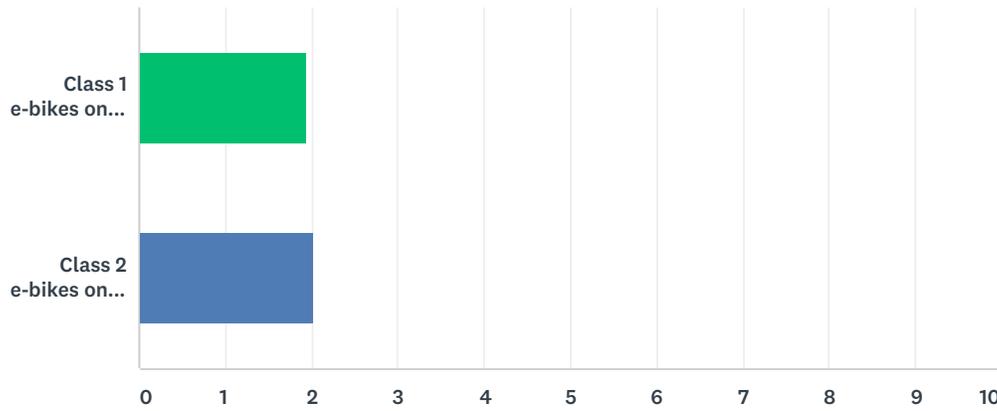
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	OPPOSE	NEUTRAL	SUPPORT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Class 1 e-bikes on Boulder Canyon Trail	55.56% 25	6.67% 3	37.78% 17	45	1.82
Class 1 e-bikes on Legion Park	37.21% 16	23.26% 10	39.53% 17	43	2.02
Class 1 e-bikes on Pella Crossing	40.91% 18	18.18% 8	40.91% 18	44	2.00
Class 1 e-bikes on Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat	43.18% 19	13.64% 6	43.18% 19	44	2.00
Class 2 e-bikes on Boulder Canyon Trail	48.89% 22	17.78% 8	33.33% 15	45	1.84
Class 2 e-bikes on Legion Park	42.86% 18	26.19% 11	30.95% 13	42	1.88
Class 2 e-bikes on Pella Crossing	40.91% 18	25.00% 11	34.09% 15	44	1.93
Class 2 e-bikes on Walden Ponds Wildlife Habitat	40.91% 18	22.73% 10	36.36% 16	44	1.95

Q7 Staff proposes prohibiting class 1 and class 2 e-bikes on all trails on County Parks & Open Space properties located in the foothills and mountains, and on properties where bicycles are not allowed (Hall Ranch, Heil Valley Ranch, Betasso Preserve, Walker Ranch, Mud Lake, Caribou Ranch, Ron Stewart Preserve at Rabbit Mountain, Anne U. White). Please indicate your support or opposition for this recommendation:

Answered: 42 Skipped: 4



	OPPOSE	NEUTRAL	SUPPORT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Class 1 e-bikes on foothills and mountain open space properties	45.24% 19	14.29% 6	40.48% 17	42	1.95
Class 2 e-bikes on foothills and mountain open space properties	42.86% 18	11.90% 5	45.24% 19	42	2.02

Q8 Please briefly explain why you answered that way:

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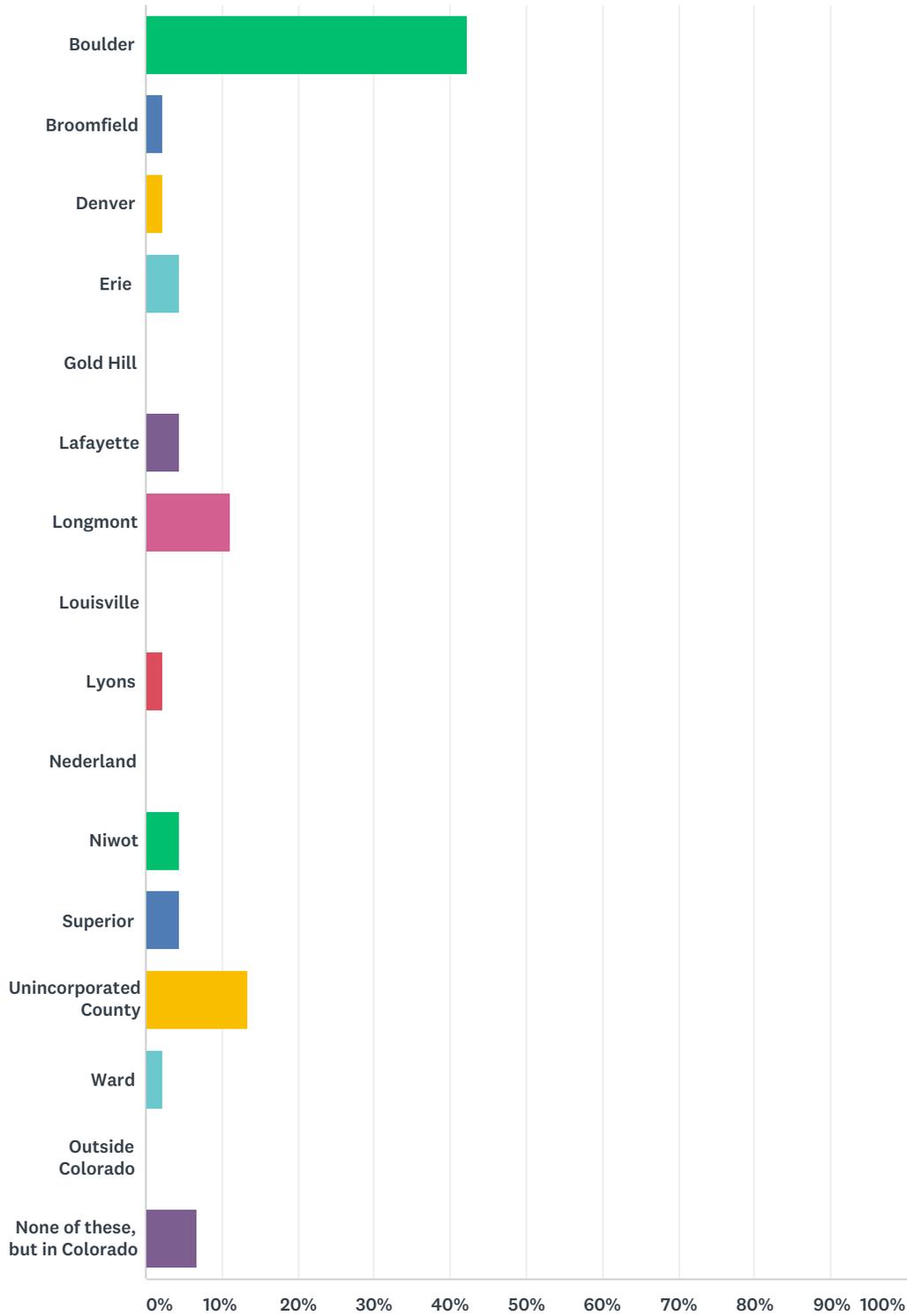
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1	con If e bikes are allowed riders should have to take an etiquette class and pay a small yearly fee —something to let riders know they must be more careful and alert. Otherwise there will be an increased potential for long term injuries, including paralysis and brain injuries. Please don't pass this absurd ruling.	6/17/2018 9:55 AM
2	pro I am an avid mountain biker who regularly rides foothills trails such as Hall Ranch, Heil Ranch, Betasso, etc. I've recently developed some knee problems and have considered getting a class 1 eMTB so I can continue riding the trails I love. Why does it make sense to ban me from riding a Class 1 eMTB simply because it has a small electric motor that helps me climb some of the steeper sections and allows me to ride without knee pain? At a minimum, I feel the county should allow eMTB's on some mountain trails as a pilot study. Europe has fully embraced eMTB's on all trails, Boulder should be a leader and do the same.	6/16/2018 9:16 AM
3	Old and own a class 1 bike	6/14/2018 9:23 AM
4	See Public Comment	6/10/2018 8:00 PM
5	con Ebikes should never be allowed on the most popular trails in the foothills/muntains ie. batasso, walker, heil, ect. These trails are used by too many people and horse, and fast moving ebikes will create significant problems.	6/5/2018 12:32 PM
6	Boulder Canyon Trail pro I want to provide commentary for question 6. E bikes are a great way for our Boulder Canyon Trail residents to not drive their car and the Boulder Canyon Creek path is a wide paved path which safely gives access for bikes. Not allowing E Bikes on this commuter trail is a mistake and should be reconsidered.	6/5/2018 9:52 AM
7	pro I am in favor of allowing ebikes everywhere a regular bike is allowed. These bikes max out at 20mph of assisted peddling, afterwards of which it is harder to increase speed due to resistance of the motor.	6/4/2018 7:41 PM
8	If bicycles are already prohibited why making specific class of ebikes? They are bicycles.	6/4/2018 12:08 PM
9	con these areas have blind turns and narrower... that would make it more difficult to control the speed of an ebike	6/3/2018 9:38 PM

10	opposed ABSOLUTELY NO E BIKES ON OUR TRAILS!! WHAT A DISASTER THAT'D BE!!!!	5/28/2018 8:30 PM
11	Not a fair test of impact.	5/27/2018 1:22 PM
12	pro If all bikes were banned, it would be OK. Again, why discriminate against ebikes? Please ban behaviors, not equipment. Heavy use by regular bikes also erodes trails, and like the survey said, only 1 ticket in 2 years on this issue has been issued, along with 7 warnings (but not all warnings are documented, which makes sense). I wonder what the rate of warnings and tickets are on ebikes compared to regular bikes?	5/25/2018 1:51 PM
13	pro There is no good valid reason to prohibit ebikes on these trails.	5/25/2018 12:22 PM
14	pro I pay taxes, same as mountain bikers and other users do. I do need my Class 1 e-bike assist for certain areas, though - I am a senior citizen and not as fighting fit as when I was in my 20s and 30s, and resent the implication that my Class 1 e-bike represents a threat or harm to these trails and to other users. Please see how some (not all) mountain bikers are out there only to shred and be cool, yet those classes of bikes are not banned.	5/25/2018 11:12 AM
15	con no e-bikes on dirt unless you govern them down to 10 mph and enforce it	5/25/2018 2:45 AM
16	con Your question is poorly written. I support the proposal to ban bikes in these properties.	5/24/2018 6:20 PM
17	con If you allow e-bikes that have sufficient power for these type of trails, then you must allow engine powered motorcycles - you must not discriminate! Both will cause increased trail erosion, traffic, and general discontent among everyone. PLEASE keep all motorized vehicles off of these human/equestrian trails.	5/24/2018 5:50 PM
18	con These are single-track trails, somewhat rocky. Self-propelled only is better.	5/24/2018 2:20 PM
19	It is not likely that my wife or mother would want or be able to ride an e-bike on trails in the foothills, so I don't feel impacted by this recommendation.	5/24/2018 12:43 PM
20	pro aging population with the highest % of taxes paid deserve access to the open space that we paid for	5/24/2018 9:53 AM
21	pro Please reconsider allowing Class 1 bikes on the foothill trails that you currently prohibit.	5/24/2018 8:52 AM
22	pro People with disabilities need to get outside and ride too. It's discrimination if trails are closed to them.	5/24/2018 7:26 AM
23	con They belong on the street only	5/23/2018 8:01 PM
24	con The foothills trails are more winding, narrow and congested.	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
25	This seems obvious that e-bikes should be prohibited in places that real bikes are already prohibited.	5/23/2018 12:43 PM
26	con I do not support this without a speed limit for these bikes. I was recently startled and almost crashed as an e-bike zipped by me at close to 40mph in my estimate.	5/23/2018 12:40 PM
27	I am not sure yet. I think there may need to be experiments to see what happens. It seems an outright ban is not based on anything	5/23/2018 10:57 AM
28	Boulder Canyon Trail pro The survey omits the why question for Section 7, the most important for me. Boulder Canyon Trail should be open to both classes of e-bikes because it is the only safe Way for cyclists to get from the city of Boulder to Four Mile Canyon Road, and the safest to get to Gold Hill and beyond. The other ways to get to Gold Hill are fiercely washboarded and thus unsafe for cyclists	5/23/2018 10:08 AM
29	Please see above answer	5/23/2018 10:02 AM
30	pro eBikes are a critical part of supporting health and wellness for disabled and aging folks, and a number of friends of mine are part of this population. I like to be able to get out with them and share the trails and outdoor experience.	5/23/2018 9:13 AM
31	pro If bikes aren't allowed, then ebikes shouldn't be. If bikes are allowed, ebikes should be. I should not be left out of a biking adventure in Boulder County because I have a disability.	5/23/2018 8:32 AM
32	support i want to use these trails	5/23/2018 7:16 AM
33	con These trails don't have great sight lines, and I'm afraid adding ebikes to the trails would cause more conflict between users. I've worked hard as a mtn biker to respect other users, but I'm afraid adding more bikes with higher speeds on popular trails could cause some conflict.	5/22/2018 10:23 PM

34	con We like the quiet up here. We are already competing with shooting and dirt bikes. Get people to get into shape not enable them to gain more weight. Let them be on ROADS and follow the law, or get a ticket.	5/22/2018 8:40 PM
35	Boulder Canyon Trail pro As noted, there needs to be some trials of this. However, the eMTB (class 1) may make it hard to keep these bikes out, but not regular mountain bikes. For Boulder Canyon Trail, I think this *should* be part of the trial. Even though this trail is identified as high crowding, that would allow to really look at impacts. Also, this trail acts as a connector to roads like four mile, and would seem to be safer for ebikes to use the trail than to try to ride up the main canyon road.	5/22/2018 7:45 PM
36	pro These trails are harder and/or more sensitive areas. E-bikes are quiet for the most part but still potentially more hazardous.	5/22/2018 5:58 PM
37	pro I am not an avid mountain biker, but if e-bikes provide additional recreational opportunities to Boulder County residents than I support that.	5/22/2018 11:12 AM
38	pro I trust staff to determine which trails may be inappropriate for these bikes.	5/22/2018 8:50 AM
39	pro These trails are already very overcrowded. Adding E-bikes would be a big mess. I strongly oppose E-bikes on these trails. Thankful OSMP saw the sense in this.	5/21/2018 9:53 PM
40	con Absolutely opposed to any ebikes on mountain trails. I have had negative encounters and the overcrowding is only getting worse. They are MUCH faster uphill than an average cyclist. The people I have seen using them are not older / handicapped either. Biking is about enjoying nature and getting an intense workout, not about how quick you can ride a machine up a trails. I have been nearly pushed off a steep part of Betasso by a college kid on an ebike.	5/21/2018 9:11 PM
41	con I think there can be some places that e-bikes are prohibited especially on delicate mountain trails.	5/21/2018 8:18 PM
42	con I'm familiar with some, but not all, of these trails and they are too steep, heavily trafficked, and narrow to allow for safe combinations of ebikes, walkers, and other users.	5/21/2018 7:24 PM

Q9 Where do you live?

Answered: 45 Skipped: 1



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Boulder	42.22%	19
Broomfield	2.22%	1
Denver	2.22%	1
Erie	4.44%	2
Gold Hill	0.00%	0

Lafayette	4.44%	2
Longmont	11.11%	5
Louisville	0.00%	0
Lyons	2.22%	1
Nederland	0.00%	0
Niwot	4.44%	2
Superior	4.44%	2
Unincorporated County	13.33%	6
Ward	2.22%	1
Outside Colorado	0.00%	0
None of these, but in Colorado	6.67%	3
TOTAL		45

Q10 Additional comments

Answered: 32 Skipped: 14

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Please only allow e bikes on trails that attract visitors and tourists, not on trails on open spaces. Please require a class in etiquette and a small annual fee.	6/17/2018 9:55 AM
2	Pro pro eMTB Please consider allowing class 1 eMTB's on all trails where regular mountain bikes are allowed. Respectful, experienced riders should not be banned from trails, simply because we have physical limitations/pain and need to ride eMTB's to continue to stay active in a sport we enjoy. Forcing me to ride an eMTB on flat trails/bike paths in the plains is not a substitute for riding the local foothills and mountain trails. Thank you.	6/16/2018 9:16 AM
3	Pro Keep up the good work	6/14/2018 9:23 AM
4	Pro pro eMTB I believe E-Bikes should be able to go anywhere regular bikes go.	6/14/2018 9:20 AM

5	<p>Pro As an individual living with a disability, Cystic Fibrosis, a disease that I was born with (not the result of my own doing,) with no cure, for which exercise in the form of mountain biking is one of the best therapeutic modalities I can perform to stay alive, I implore to the board that Class 1 e-bikes and Class 1 e-bikes ONLY be allowed on ALL trails. If you are too lazy to do any research on e-bike technologies, Class 1 e-bikes do not function without pedaling input from the rider, and they are speed and power limited to very reasonable standards which have been internationally agreed upon by bike enthusiasts and professionals alike. I am tired of purist, egotistical, ignorant, and close-minded individuals (who were born without an incurable, fatal genetic disease) who are prejudiced against a new technology which can EMPOWER and ENABLE individuals like myself to continue to participate in life-saving activities like mountain biking. Research has shown that e-bikes do NOT cause any more damage to trails than traditional mountain bikes. With the 40% lung function that I am forced to live with, I can just barely and certainly not often keep up with my peers on the trail when climbing with my e-bike in FULL pedal-assist mode. But I still do it because I love to ride just as much as you do. It is a spiritual, personal, mental, and physical pursuit from which I derive some of the greatest value in life. Unlike you, however, I have to fight, struggle, and gasp for every single breath I take. Think about that; if you have the gift of good health, be grateful for it, but please do not ever take away my joy and right to ride with a class 1 e-mountain bike on whatever trail I choose just because you don't understand the benefit of this new technology for individuals like myself. I will add that my specific disability is not the only for which people can derive significant benefit from riding an e-mountain bike. This is a free country and we must accept everyone else's right to enrich and enjoy their lives through activities that contribute to a healthy lifestyle and the greater good. In sum, to all who are against allowing e-bikes on the Boulder County Mountain Bike Trails, please, PLEASE, do take a step outside of your own limited worldview and see that the world and the individuals within it are just as deserving to ride the same trails you do and restricted access will not be tolerated.</p>	6/10/2018 8:00 PM
6	<p>Pro pro eMTB Please allow these bikes everywhere a regular bike is allowed. Anyone could do more damage with a regular bike than an ebike and vice versa. It comes down to rider smarts. They will make for a greener state, allow people with knee/joint problems to get off the road and onto a bike leading a healthier lifestyle. Ebikes do not peel out like a motorcycle either, so no need to worry.</p>	6/4/2018 7:41 PM
7	<p>Pro pro eMTB Your report says "Staff proposes this recommendation as a pilot program to run through 2019." Starting a trial with ebikes prohibited on certain trails will tell you nothing. Ebikes have to be allowed everywhere to provide a fair test. Then I'll bet that the incremental impacts will be small to zero from the typical ebike riding public who are generally older and less fit individuals. You must allow ebikes everywhere to be fair.</p>	5/27/2018 1:22 PM
8	<p>Enforcement Concern Pro These regulations seem unenforceable, or enforceable at high cost. Having laws/regs that are hard to enforce or seem arbitrary is bad policy because it makes important laws seem arbitrary. A cynic would say that someone in parks/open space doesn't have enough to do with their time. Please regulate behaviors, not equipment like ebikes that most people can't disambiguate from regular bikes. And how are you gonna ban class 3? A cynic would say that you'd need special training for staff. All that being said, I'm not a cynic and think that we have a great open space/park system, and I'm grateful that you do your job!</p>	5/25/2018 1:51 PM
9	<p>Pro pro eMTB I live in Jamestown but it's not on the list so I checked Ward. I request that the recommendation to prohibit ebikes on the listed plains trails be changed to allow ebikes on those trails. The decision is arbitrary and the rational poor. The proposal points to crowding and conflicts. However, there is no evidence that crowding would be materially affected by bikes since the number of ebikes is very low and has an incrementally small crowding factor. I doubt that it can even be measured. As far as conflicts are concerned, you already acknowledged that it's difficult if not impossible to distinguish an ebike from a regular bike. I don't believe you can attribute any impact on conflicts due to ebikes. If you have good data on that then show it to us. I like many if not most ebike riders are older. I am 75. I've been riding my ebike in Boulder County for a year and have never accounted another bike. Conflicts that I have experienced are fairly common and they are ALWAYS with riders on normal bikes going way to fast. Picking on bikes riders is discriminatory just because we are older and typically not in peak physical condition like young riders. The only way I would feel not discriminated against is if the same rules applied. Prohibit standard bikes anywhere ebikes are prohibited. That's what would have by far the biggest impact on lowering crowding and eliminating conflicts. Personally, I am less concerned about prohibitions in foothills and mountain parks because I am less likely to ride them. But as my strength and stamina improve through riding my bike I would want to have the option to ride those trails without discrimination against ebikes for no valid reasons. You acknowledge higher rates of crowding and conflict but none of that is due to ebikes. To solve the problem, prohibit all bikes on foothills and mountain without discriminating against bikes and their older riders.</p>	5/25/2018 12:22 PM

10	Pro The purchase of my Class 1 e-bike has made a huge difference in my life, in my ability to go out and enjoy both the city and the county's open space and trails, and I strongly urge the county not to curtail the possibilities for me or other e-bicyclists to continue to do so. To class e-bikes as "motorized vehicles" isn't accurate or fair. Maybe ban Class 3 e-bikes... yet I can see a handicapped person needing such a vehicle. Please, this is not the Tour de France, where batteries are against the rules. Why should my enjoyment of the trails be limited by arbitrary and hard-to-enforce rules like this?	5/25/2018 11:12 AM
11	Con if eibikes are allowed on i'm driving my pick-up around Marshall Mesa Loop friday nights, drunk	5/25/2018 2:45 AM
12	Con E-Bikes are just another name for motorcycles - period! What difference does it make what the power plant is. There also exists small virtually noiseless engine powered cycles. These are both legal devices. Forget the extra tax dollars - the trails are so crowded now that more people just means more congestion and potential for accidents. A 40+ pound bicycle going 20mph has the potential to seriously injure or kill someone. PLEASE keep these vehicles only on the streets where they belong and can be used safely.	5/24/2018 5:50 PM
13	Pro I'm not sure how many e-bikes are out there now - can't tell from a regular bike - so why care?	5/24/2018 2:20 PM
14	Pro ebikes are the way of the future even Lenard Zinn is making them now. embrace the future of the sport	5/24/2018 9:53 AM
15	Pro Thank you for your good work.	5/23/2018 1:56 PM
16	Con There is no real difference between Class 1 and Class 2. The Class 1 bikes don't detect that any force is being applied to the pedals, only that the chain is moving. I'm surprised that council didn't realize this. The movements legalizing for e-bikes are sponsored by local merchants and they use the same story wherever they try to get e-bikes legalized. The reality is much different. The e-bikes are used almost entirely by young, healthy, males. Merchants want to sell e-bikes because they are expensive and high margin. If council decides to allow e-bikes, then council should do so conditionally and monitor the usage and verify that the users of e-bikes are indeed the targeted population. If at least half of the users are not physically impaired in some way, then the legality should be rescinded. If council really has confidence in the goal of this program, then this condition should not be a problem at all.	5/23/2018 12:43 PM
17	Con E-bikes are barely eco friendly. The fuel to power them is simply coming out a pipe somewhere else. It should not be mistaken for a completely clean for of transport.	5/23/2018 12:40 PM
18	Boulder Canyon Trail Pro I think the Boulder Canyon Trail should be open to ebikes so that people who live in 4 mile can commute without having to rid on the road, which is way more dangerous.	5/23/2018 10:57 AM
19	Con I have always voted yes for open space. If e bikes are allowed I will vote no in the future.	5/23/2018 10:02 AM
20	Pro I am a hiker, runner, biker, wild flower lover, and parent of small kids who enjoy open space trails. It's essential to my family and my community that we are able to share outdoor experiences with our disabled or senior friends and family. For people who can't otherwise get out, they need this accommodation. For those who can get out, it means we can maintain richer relationships by enjoying the outdoors together.	5/23/2018 9:13 AM
21	Please call me with any questions. Jenevieve Russell 720.366.2269	5/23/2018 8:32 AM
22	Con how much of my tax paying money goes towards this stupid thing???	5/23/2018 7:16 AM
23	Pro I support Boulder Mountain bike Alliance's stance on e-bikes on trails. I appreciate Boulder County Open Space taking time to shape policy with e-bikes. I think e-bikes are a great addition to commuting and replacing cars, but we need to be cautious with their use on trails.	5/22/2018 10:23 PM
24	Pro Overall, the analysis and recommendations have been carefully considered.	5/22/2018 7:45 PM
25	Open Heil and Hall to dogs!	5/22/2018 5:58 PM

26	<p>Boulder Canyon Trail Pro I am a resident of the Canyonside neighborhood in Boulder County, and strongly support the use of E-bikes on the Boulder Canyon Trail. The Boulder Canyon trail is used as a bike commuter route for county residents. I see no value in cutting off an existing safe commuting route for E-bike users. Boulder County should be encouraging, not discouraging the use of E-bikes as a commuting solution. As an avid user of the Boulder Canyon Trail, I have never had a conflict with an E-bike. Not once! Cyclists (of all kinds) should be respectful and regulate their speed both ways for the safety of all trail users. Finally, please collaborate with the city of Boulder prior to making any decisions regarding E-bike access to the Boulder Canyon Trail. Often the best decisions are made when collaborating with your partner agencies. Thank you for the opportunity to provide additional input on the E-bike recommendation. Chris Trice 217 Canyonside Dr</p>	5/22/2018 11:12 AM
27	<p>Boulder Canyon Trail Pro The Boulder Canyon Trail is of significant commuting value for the Canyonside subdivision at the intersection of Boulder Canyon and Fourmile Canyon. Several of us commute on it on a regular via e-bike. Save for when the western end is frozen during the winter, I myself take it almost daily to drop off my 2 and 4 year olds at school in North Boulder, go to work at CU, pick up the kids in the afternoon, and head back home up the canyon. An e-bike makes this kind of commute realistic for those of us in the neighborhood, and Boulder Canyon Trail is the only option available (expecting e-bike commuters to go on 119 would be nothing short of murderous). The city and the county should promote alternatives to commuting by car whenever possible (greener, reduces parking and traffic issues, etc). It'd hence be entirely wrongheaded to do a universal ban on of e-bikes along Boulder Canyon Trail. If anything, they should be looking at banning merely recreational e-biking, Class III bikes, or at making an exception for neighbors in the area who commute (happy to apply for a permit, etc). Notice that Staff's own rationale for recommending approval of Class I and II ebikes on regional trails hence applies to Boulder Canyon Trail, since it "serve[s] commuters with their connections to neighborhoods and communities. For the most part they are improved soft-surface multi-use trails (crusher fines, recycled asphalt or road base) with a width of eight feet or more". Lumping Boulder Canyon Trail with purely recreational trails is unwarranted.</p>	5/22/2018 10:41 AM
28	<p>Enforcement Concern Please discuss how riders would be held to rules that would protect the safety and enjoyment of pedestrians on the trail and prevent any harm to the trails themselves. Without these rules that can be enforced and have some bite to them, I oppose e-bikes on any trails.</p>	5/22/2018 8:50 AM
29	<p>Con Not very happy about E-bikes ruining the Boulder trails.</p>	5/21/2018 9:53 PM
30	<p>Pro Really appreciate the common sense approach. Ebikes for transportation and some very wide flat trails, absolutely not on hiking / biking singletrack.</p>	5/21/2018 9:11 PM
31	<p>Pro Thank you for your work on this. I use my e-bike instead of my car as much as I can.</p>	5/21/2018 8:18 PM
32	<p>Pro Excellent job with the recommendations! I agree 100%.</p>	5/21/2018 7:24 PM