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Hello,

I think it is great to regulate e-bikes for greater safety for everyone involved. That does not only mean people riding e-bikes, but also those that are riding regular bikes and that are sharing bike paths with e-bikes.

I think e-bikes and throttle driving e-bikes should all be limited to 20 miles an hour as far as the electric support is concerned, meaning the electric drive motor needs to cut out at 20 miles an hour. The proposed 28 miles an hour is more than what cars are allowed on many city streets in Portland. Being passed by an e-bike going 28 miles on a multi use path that is as wide as a single traffic lane or less is outright dangerous for other bikes going slower (especially those of us that are Senior citizens and may not go as fast), pedestrians.

I implore you to reconsider lowering the electric assist on e-bikes and similar devices to 20 mph.

thank you

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