

Attachment E

Chapter 14.12 - COUNTY PARKS

14.12.010 - Definitions.

Original Language:

C. "Bicycle" means any device with two or more wheels that is human powered, including but not limited to mountain bikes, cruisers, and street bicycles.

K. "Electric bicycle" means a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor.

Draft Proposed Definition Language:

K. "Electric bicycle" means a bicycle equipped with fully operable pedals and an electric motor, including Class 1, Class 2, and Class 3 Bicycles.

TBD. "Electric Transportation Device" means any device or mode of transportation which is powered by an electric motor that draws electricity from a battery and is capable of being charged from an external source.

TBD. "Class 1 Electric Bicycle" means an electric bicycle that is pedal-assist only, with no throttle assistance, and has a maximum assisted speed of 20 mph.

TBD. "Class 2 Electric Bicycle" means an electric bicycle that is pedal-assist, with throttle assistance, and has a maximum assisted speed of 20 mph.

TBD. "Class 3 Electric Bicycle" means an electric bicycle that is pedal-assist only, with no throttle assistance, and has a maximum assisted speed of 28 mph.

14.12.060 - Transportation.

Original Language:

H. No person within a County park shall ride a bicycle on any trail not authorized for such use.

I. Electric bicycles are prohibited from all County park dirt trails, unless authorized by the Director.

Draft Proposed Language:

Language regarding the trail use etiquette.

TBD. Any person who uses a Monterey County Park must yield the path, on both roads and trails, to other visitors in the following manner: Bicycles and electric bicycles must yield to pedestrians and equestrians; and pedestrians must yield to equestrians. For bicycles and electric bicycles, the passing speed shall be no greater than 10 mph on roads, and 5 mph on single-track trails.

Option A (Limits all bikes and electric bikes to 20 mph)I. No person shall operate any bicycle or electric bicycle in a Monterey County Park other than on a path designated and signed for that purpose or on a paved vehicular road meant for motor vehicles and shall maintain a safe speed not to exceed 20 mph. All other electronic transportation devices are prohibited on all County park dirt trails, unless authorized by the Director.

Option B (Limits class 1, 2, 3 bikes to 20 mph)

I. No person shall operate any class 1, class 2, class 3 electric bicycle(s) in a Monterey County Park other than on a path designated and signed for that purpose or on a paved vehicular road meant for motor vehicles and shall maintain a safe speed not to exceed 20 mph. All other electronic transportation devices are prohibited on all County park dirt trails, unless authorized by the Director.

Additional information for both Option A and Option B

Consider removing upper speed limit of 20 mph as it is nearly impossible on some downhill trails to maintain a speed less than 20 mph. Focus on passing speeds and following posted speed limits on park roads.