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> City Launches Pilot Project Allowing E-Bikes on Bicycle Network Pilot project will continue until December 31, 2015

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Park City Council recently approved a one-year pilot project to assess the use of electrically assisted (e-bikes) on hard-surface pathways within Park City. The objective of the pilot project is to determine the impact and quantify the use of e-bikes on Park City's multi-use paths. During the pilot project, city staff and consultants will assess how well the bicycles share paths with other users, through the collection of speed and volume data, reported incidents and public input via surveys.

E-bikes differ from traditional bicycles in that they are fitted with an electric motor that propels users when the motor is engaged. Typically, e-bikes have a maximum speed the bicycle can attain while the motor is engaged. During the pilot project, e-bikes will be permitted on select multi-use pathways, as defined in the ordinance, including the Deer Valley Loop, Poison Creek Pathway, Kearns Pathway, and Silver Quinn. E-bikes will not be permitted on sections of the Farm Trail, around the McPolin Barn, or the Rail Trail, per State Parks policy.

A complete map can be found here: E-Bike Project Map

Park City residents, commuters, and visitors are encouraged to visit the E-Bike website at <u>Park City Municipal E-Bike Pilot Project</u> to learn more about the project, including City Council reports, definitions and ordinance language.