

MVRPC Regional Active Transportation Committee

Thursday, October 23, 2025

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Virtual Meeting! (Link will be provided with RSVP)

We have seen an increase in comments and concerns raised by users of the Miami Valley Trails website about high-speed e-bikes on the trails. Current rules allow Class 1 and Class 2 e-bikes on the Miami Valley Trails and prohibit Class 3 e-bikes. Some of the concerns may be about the behavior of trail users riding completely legal e-bikes in an unsafe or discourteous manner.

But there are also newer e-bikes coming on the market that exceed the performance specs of Class 3 e-bikes. Sometimes called “Class 4” or “Unrestricted” e-bikes, some of these vehicles even have an app for your phone that switch them between Class 1, Class 2, or Class 3 specs or beyond. [Take a look at this short video](#) about e-bike classes. These vehicles may exist in a legal gray area in Ohio.

At this Regional Active Transportation Committee meeting we will hear from a panel to enlighten us on these issues.

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Introductions	5 min
2. Emerging E-Bike Technology and Law a. Matt Herrin – Trek Bicycles Dayton Kettering - will brief us on the latest technology in e-bikes and electric vehicles that exceed e-bike specs b. Steve Magas – Ohio Bike Lawyer – on how these vehicles do or don’t fit under Ohio law c. TBD – A review of a legislative approach adopted in Connecticut to update e-bike law to keep up with these new vehicles. d. Open discussion on the issues trail managers and communities face regarding these vehicles. i. Safety ii. Enforcement iii. What approaches seem promising?	60 min
3. Community Roundtable – what is going on in your community related to Active Transportation?	30 min