



PeopleForBikes Creating Industrywide Comment in Response to CPSC's Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Electric Bicycles

BOULDER, CO. (March 18, 2024) — The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) recently announced an [advanced notice of proposed rulemaking](#) to address the risk of injury associated with electric bicycles (e-bikes). The CPSC is interested in comments concerning the potential mechanical hazards of e-bikes, possible regulatory alternatives, the economic impacts of various approaches, and existing voluntary standards and their adequacy. The CPSC made a preliminary determination that new safety standards are needed and plans to develop new standards to address these risks. The public comment period began on March 15 and remains open for 60 days. Through this rulemaking, the CPSC will set mandatory safety and testing standards for electric bicycles, governing these products and the bike industry for the foreseeable future.

In response, PeopleForBikes is bringing together its industry members to develop a comprehensive comment in support of reasonable regulatory standards for electric bicycles. The organization's goals include resolving the various open issues around this technology, ensuring that safe and high-quality products made by our members can continue to be sold, and harmonizing these new U.S. regulations with global standards.

"This is the moment the bicycle industry has been waiting for and PeopleForBikes is prepared to respond to this critical call to action," said Jenn Dice, PeopleForBikes' president and CEO. "Convening members and finding industrywide consensus on key regulatory and legislative priorities is PeopleForBikes' role as the bike industry's trade association."

In the coming weeks, PeopleForBikes will engage members of its Technical Standards Working Group, E-Bike Subcommittee, and Legal, Legislative, and Safety Subcommittee to craft the comment and share the proposed language with all interested members to solicit feedback.

The first opportunity for industry members to discuss the next steps in the comment process and the content of the comment is during the E-Bike Workshop at PeopleForBikes' [2024 Bicycle Leadership Conference](#) in Tucson, AZ, on March 26. If you have not signed up for the conference, [please register here](#). If you have any questions about the E-Bike Workshop, please reach out to Dr. Ash Lovell at ash@peopleforbikes.org. PeopleForBikes looks forward to collaborating with industry members to propose consistent and harmonized regulatory standards for electric bicycles to the CPSC in the coming months.

About PeopleForBikes

PeopleForBikes is the U.S. bicycle industry's trade association and a national advocacy nonprofit representing more than 325 bicycle industry supplier members and nearly 1.4 million individuals. Through our three areas of influence — infrastructure, policy, and participation — we accelerate the construction of safe, fun, and connected places to bike; advance pro-bike and pro-bike-business legislation; and reduce barriers to access and welcome more people to the joys of riding a bike. Our goal: Become the best place to ride a bike in the world. Join us at [PeopleForBikes.org](https://www.PeopleForBikes.org).