

WHAT IS GRAVEL GRINDING?

More off-road adventure than a pavement ride. Gravel grinding is a unique mix of on and off-road riding, sometimes with some single track that allows you to cover miles and see incredible off-road Idaho areas. Underground races and organized events, such as Rebecca's Private Idaho, have cemented the concept of Gravel-grind riding to all who love bike adventures. Today, purpose-built gravel bikes are sturdy, but designed for off-pavement use, with good tires, a slightly more upright position, longer wheel base and disk brakes. Gravel grinder bikes bring the best of both worlds – from smooth single track to epic road rides – into the same outing.



HAILEY "WEST"

1 "TGR" Townsend to Glendale to Rock Creek. (Difficult)

36 miles. 2,600' elevation gain. Expect 2-1/2 to 3/1/2 hours.

This awesome ride starts and ends back in Hailey, and only has 15 miles of pavement. Clockwise is the recommended route. Start down Broadford Road and turn right on Lower Broadford Road. Follow to the end of the pavement and climb dirt on Townsend Gulch Road. At the top of Townsend stay right (if you cross the cattle guard, turn around) and follow for a mile or so. Keep looking left for a single-track descent. The single-track descent is loose and fun! Cross the creek at the bottom and follow the road out. It will meet Glendale Road at the bottom. Turn right on the paved Glendale Road, heading south and then west. After the pavement ends, climb to the summit and descend into the Rock Creek drainage. Turn right on Rock Creek Road. This is a beautiful stretch of gravel road with a strenuous climb at the end. Once you get to the top of Rock Creek, you will drop down into the Croy Creek drainage. Follow the gravel until it "T"s into Croy Creek Road, and take a right to finish back in Hailey! NOTE: Dropping down to Glendale Road from Townsend Gulch will have you crossing private property – please be respectful.

Alternates/Add-ons

1a Glendale to Rock Creek (Easy)

Approximately 19 miles. 665' elevation gain. About 2 hours.

Make a shorter ride than TGR by starting at the end of the pavement out Glendale Road, (eliminating the Townsend Gulch part). From there, climb to the summit and descend into the Rock Creek drainage. Turn right on Rock Creek Road. This is a beautiful stretch of gravel road with a strenuous climb at the end. Once you get to the top of Rock Creek, you will drop down into the Croy Creek drainage. Follow the gravel until it "T"s into Croy Creek Road, and take a right to finish back in Hailey!

1b Classic Rock Creek to Poverty Flat Loop. (Medium)

35 miles. 1,500' elevation gain. Expect 2-1/2 to 3/1/2 hours.

This ride is a classic tour of the west Hailey gravel. It is best ridden counter-clockwise and ride in reverse of some of the same roads in the TGR described above. Start in Hailey and head west on Croy Creek Road. At about 5 miles, turn left on View Road/Rock Creek Road (at Rock Creek Ranch sign). At approximately 10 miles, there will be a left turn on to Poverty Flat Road. This turn is easy to miss, but marked by a couple of galvanized storage tanks. Continue on Poverty Flat Road on rolling terrain followed by a 2.3-mile climb and fast descent to Glendale Road. Continue on Glendale Road, crossing Highway 75. Take a right turn just before Bellevue Farms Subdivision and follow around to the south and then connect with Gannett Road. Head back to Hailey via the bike path starting in Bellevue or alternately on Broadford Road.

2 Croy Canyon to Richardson Summit (Easy) Smooth rolling "ego" ride

Out and back 20 miles. 1,000'-2,000' elevation gain. About 1-3 hours.

This out-and-back ride starts in Hailey. Start out Croy Creek Road on pavement for about 5 miles. You will hit gravel, and the road rolls along beautiful Idaho sage hills. Ride out as far as you want and turn around, or keep going and descend into the Camas Prairie. If ridden into the Camas Prairie, you will need to climb back out of Camp Creek (1,500 or so feet of climbing) or hit Highway 20 back to Rock Creek Road to get back to Hailey (See 2a).

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Alternates/Add-ons

2a Camp Creek to Rock Creek Road (Easy)

26.5 miles. 1,000'-2,000' elevation gain. About 2-4 hours.

Continue Ride # 2 on Camp Creek Road to Baseline Road, turn left and follow to County Line Road and head south. Follow County Line Road to Highway 20. Turn left and ride 7.5 miles on Highway 20; there are decent shoulders but use caution as this can be a busy road. Turn left on Rock Creek Road, just past Moonstone Ranch. Follow Rock Creek Road 10.5 miles to Croy Creek Road, turn right and return to Hailey.

2b Croy to Hatty's Gulch Lollypop (Difficult)

35 miles. 1,500' elevation gain. Expect 2-1/2 to 3/1/2 hours.

To make a shorter loop out of this ride, Hatty's Gulch is a great option. Before ascending Richardson Summit turn left down into Hatty's Gulch. You will pass some home-stead relics on a loose old mining road. When you get to the bottom, stay left and straight until you hit Rock Creek Road. Turn left and climb back up and over into Croy Creek and back into town. NOTE: Hatty's Gulch Road crosses private property – please be respectful.



Looking west on Croy Creek Road about six miles from Hailey.

BELLEVUE TRIANGLE/SOUTH

3 Picabo Hills (Difficult) Classic rolling desert sagebrush ride

30 miles. 1,500' elevation gain. Expect 2-4 hours.

Ride this one from either the "blinking light (Highway 75 and Highway 20 intersection) or from Picabo. Start at the Timmerman Rest Area at the blinking light, head south and climb Highway 75 to the top and turn left on Spud Patch Road. Stay mainly left on the dirt roads until you get closer to civilization. Once you can see the small town of Picabo, make sure to stay right on the gravel to get back to Highway 20. (If you get to a fence closing the road, go back and then make a left.) Once you get back to Highway 20, turn left to get back to Picabo. A great lunch can be had at the Picabo Store to replenish the reserves. It is recommended to ride Highway 20 back to the rest area.



Riding north on Rock Creek Road, in the Preserve.



GRAVEL GRINDER RIDES

Alternates/Add-ons

3a Picabo Hills with Bellevue Start (Difficult)

60 miles. 2,000' elevation gain. Expect 4+ hours.

If you start this ride from Bellevue, you can ride pavement or gravel – however, you want to get yourself to the Timmerman Rest Area at the blinking light. Follow the route described in ride #3 from there. Once at the Picabo Store, you can ride pavement back to Bellevue or take the gravel road from the store. Follow the gravel to Gannett Road and turn right. From here you can follow Gannett Road all the way back to Bellevue or take a detour through the Bellevue Triangle on pavement and gravel!



Silver Creek and the Preserve in the distance.

4 HGH: Hailey/Gannet/Hailey (Difficult) The classic south valley route!

60-65-mile ride on a mixture of dirt and paved roads from Hailey to Gannett. Approx. 775' elevation gain. Expect 4 1/2 hours. Recommend a map or ride guide as there are a lot of twists and turns.

This true Idaho ride traverses the Bellevue Triangle and portions of Silver Creek Preserve and Picabo Hills. Start by heading down Gannett Road and turn right on Kingsbury Lane. Remember how good the pavement is here because it's about to get real! Turn right on Pero Road and surf the bumps and gravel until you hit Friedman Lane and turn left. Follow the smooth pavement of Friedman and turn left on Baseline Road and quickly take the right onto Schoessler Lane. The smooth gravel of this road will leave you wanting more. Turn left onto Highway 20 for 3/4 mile. Take a left on Price Lane. You will ride on smooth gravel, chunk and washboards while taking in the views to the north. Turn right back onto Baseline Road until you hit Gannett Road again. Turn right into town and pass through the small town until you turn right on Punkin Center Road. Ride this road all the way back to Highway 20 where you will go straight across (caution here!) onto Stocker Creek Road that takes you into the Silver Creek Preserve. You will climb onto a bench with views of the world-famous Silver Creek. This road will take you right back to Highway 20 where you will turn right and ride into Picabo. You can stop at the store for a snack or a great lunch (this is about the half-way point). From the store, go north on the gravel North Picabo Road. You will pass the Fish & Game public access pullout at Point of Rocks. Continue on the gravel to Gannett Road and take a left. Follow that back to highway 20 and turn right. Follow the pavement for about 2 miles and turn right on Punkin Center Road back into Gannett. In town turn left and follow Gannett Road to Baseline and turn left. Follow the pavement on Baseline Road and take the right onto the last stretch of gravel on Kingsbury Lane. Follow it back to Gannett Road to get you back into Bellevue! This route is usually rideable after the 3rd weekend in April.

BELLEVUE/CAREY/LITTLE WOOD

5 Picabo to Carey via Priest Road (Easy)

10-20 miles. 100' (+/-) elevation gain. Expect 1-2 hours.

Begin your ride at the classic Picabo store. Cross Highway 20 and head south on 1st Street. After approx. 2.6 miles, slight right on Cutoff Road. After approximately 3.6 miles, left on Priest Road. Left at the T (Shed Road). Follow for 1 mile to the junction of Highway 26/93 and head north about 2 miles to Carey. You can ride back to Picabo on Highway 20 (7 miles) or skip both Highway sections and reverse yourself when you hit Highway 26.

Alternates/Add-ons

5a Cutoff Road to Silver Creek (Easy)

14 miles. 100' (+/-) elevation gain. Expect 1-2 hours.

Ride the Cutoff Road 7.1 miles to the junction of Highway 26. Along the way, stop for a picnic at the BLM Public Access Campground, called Silver Creek North & South. Ride the Highway for 1.7 miles to Shed Road. Turn left (north) and ride 2.7 miles to the junction with Priest Road. Take Priest Road back to Cutoff Road and turn north back to Picabo.

6 Carey to Bellevue via the Little Wood (Difficult)

60 miles. 3,000' elevation gain. Expect 4-5 hours.

This is a big day on the bike! Ride from Bellevue however you would like to get to Highway 20. Turn left on Highway 20 to Carey. There is a large pass to climb right before descending into Carey. Stop at the only store in town for supplies to get you back to Bellevue (25 miles). Turn left onto main street in town and follow for a mile or so. Turn left onto the Little Wood Reservoir Road. Ride the pavement for about 10 miles and continue on the gravel. You will pass Little Wood Reservoir on your left. After the reservoir stay left and the road will drop down into a little valley. When you get to the corrals turn left. Stay on that very established road for 5-6 miles. It does get steep so be ready for it! This road will take you to Muldoon Canyon east of Bellevue. Descend the chunky rough road back into Bellevue.



Riding south in the Bellevue Triangle.

HAILEY "EAST"

7 Muldoon Canyon (Difficult) A "big" ride with lots of vertical

16 miles. 1,500' elevation gain. About 2-3 hours.

This out and back ride is a gravel road is only lightly traveled but rough in places. It follows Seamans Gulch in a narrow shady canyon until it starts the climb to Muldoon Summit. Start from Bellevue on Muldoon Road and pass turnoffs to Martin Canyon on the right, and to Sharps Canyon on the left (see separate rides for those) until you start climbing in an open basin. At the summit you can stop and enjoy views of the Pioneer mountains before descending.

Alternates/Add-ons

7a Muldoon to Martin Canyon (Difficult)

20 miles. 1,500' elevation gain. About 1-3 hours.

Head east from Bellevue on Muldoon Road for about 2.5 miles and turn left up Martin Canyon. A nice, scenic ride awaits you as you ascend 1,500' feet before meeting up with Muldoon Canyon road on the east side of the summit. Either turn back around or continue going up on Muldoon Canyon Road to the summit and head back down to Bellevue.

8 Bell Mountain/Sharps Canyon (Difficult)

15-20 miles. 2,500+' elevation gain. Expect 2-4 hours.

Physically demanding, technical, loose and steep- but still a great out-and-back ride! If you want a big south valley climb this is the one. Make sure you have the legs and the gears to take this one on. Go east on Muldoon Road in Bellevue for 5.75 miles. Turn right at Sharps Canyon. Climb 6.5 miles and 2,500' to the summit-site of an old Forest Service lookout –for a beautiful view of the Pioneer Mountains. Turn around for brake burning steep descent!

9 Toe of the Hill (Easy)

4.17 miles. 357' elevation gain.

Nonmotorized, single track trail running along the base of the foothills along east Hailey. Park in the Community Campus Parking lot, or in one of four spaces southeast of the Community Campus at the trailhead sign. Proceed south for 2.07 miles: turn around and ride back (follow signs for the portion of the trail that is on a short, private road). Explore if you like several dead-end side canyons that get steep very quickly.

10 Quigley Loop Trail and Road (Easy)

4.2 miles. 642' elevation gain. About 45 minutes to 1.5 hours.

A perfect beginner or quick gravel ride, especially good for young children. Start at the trailhead on Quigley Road, just past the end of the pavement. Ride out on the single-track trail to the pond and loop back on the other side of Quigley Canyon until the trail crosses the field and returns to the trailhead on Quigley Road. Or ride the road out to the pond and return on the trail, it's easier descending on the trail coming back than ascending the the trail going out.

11 Quigley to Slaughterhouse (Difficult)

21 miles. 1,900' elevation gain. Expect 2.5-4 hours.

Ride east on Quigley Road to the Y in the road. Take the right turn and start the real climb. Stay left on the road until you hit the saddle past the Y out Quigley and climb to the right. Keep your eyes open for a right turn. Turn and climb the steep road for 3/4 of a mile or so to the saddle looking into Slaughterhouse Canyon. The descent into Slaughterhouse is an old road that doesn't function as a road any more so it is usually loose and degraded. Be cautious here. Keep right on the road all the way back into Bellevue. Ride west through town and you will run into the bike path. Turn right and ride 3 miles back to Hailey.

12 Quigley to East Fork Cove Creek (Difficult)

25-30 miles. 2,000' elevation gain. Expect 2-3 hours.

Another classic Hailey route! Ride east on Quigley Road to the Y in the road. Take the right turn and start the real climb. Stay left on the road until you hit the saddle. At the top follow the road to the east for a bit until you see a road in the willows on your left. Turn here. If you continue down the road and it gets super steep downhill, turn around. Stay on Cove Creek Road up and over some steep climbs and fast descents. You will pass some houses before you hit East Fork Road. Turn left. You will go through the small historic mining town of Triumph. Continue west on the paved East Fork Road for 6 miles. Before you get to Highway 75 turn left on the bike path and ride 6-7 miles back into Hailey.

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ALL EMERGENCIES: CALL 911

Fritz, this map's for you!
This map would not be possible without the leadership of Mayor Fritz Haammmerle, Mayor 2012-2019. An avid road cyclist, Fritz has supported the development of maps, rides, events and really anything that furthers the love of cycling.

Thanks to our Map Team
described in text and then highlighted on the map. Reservoir: Gravel rides of varying levels of difficulty are at the edge of the Camas Prairie and east to the Little Wood

in the Wood River Valley south to Richfield, west to the Blaine County Sheriff 208-788-5555

This map and brochure covers an area from East Fork Road

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HAILEY & SOUTH IDAHO

Welcome to HAILEY IDAHO

We boast over 300 miles of premier gravel riding in and around our scenic high desert landscape. Hailey is surrounded by BLM public lands, which feature a wide variety of gravel roads and single track. About 8,300 people call Hailey home; we are a diverse mix of young singles, families and the "actively retired." Come check out our biking, dining, arts scene, music and more!



Why Gravel Grind around Hailey?

Simply put, gravel grinding around Hailey is yet another one of our best kept secrets. The extensive network of dirt roads on federally managed lands gives us a wide variety of choices well after the single track is closed for the year, and earlier in the spring. Hailey is a growing bike community, with a variety of single track and dirt road riding right from town. Make sure to take the time to breathe our fresh air and soak in our high desert mountain landscape!



A collaboration between the City of Hailey, Blaine County Recreation District (BCRD), Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Power House, Sturtevant's, Sun Summit South and Wood River Trails Coalition.

Travels on GRAVEL

HAILEY & SOUTH IDAHO



LEGEND

- National Forest Land (USFS) (Sawtooth National Forest)
- BLM Land (Bureau of Land Management)
- State of Idaho Land
- Park or Preserve
- City Boundaries
- Private Land (Please respect private property, do not trespass)

ROADS AND TRAILS*

- Main Highways
- ROADS – Paved
- ROADS – Unpaved
- ROADS – Unimproved Dirt Roads (4WD)
- GRAVEL GRINDER RIDE (Includes Travel on Main Highways, Paved, Unpaved and Unimproved Roads)
- Trails – Non-Motorized
- Trails – Motorized
- Wood River Trail (Separated Bike Path)

 Campground	 Trailhead
 Picnic/Rest Area	 Gate
 Boat Launch	 Historic Site
 Restrooms	 Mine Site (historic)

*All motorized vehicles are required to stay on roads and trails; it is recommended that road, gravel and mountain bikes, hikers and equestrians do so as well.

ETIQUETTE

- **USE OPEN ROADS & TRAILS ONLY.** For the latest conditions, visit summertrailink.bcrd.org
- **FOLLOW RULES OF THE ROAD.** Stop at all stop signs, yield when required, and stay to the right and let faster traffic pass. It is your responsibility to check both ways and cross when clear when crossing major roads and highways.
- **CONTROL YOUR SPEED.** Know your limit – ride within it!
- **HELMETS SAVE LIVES!** Please wear one.
- **RESPECT PRIVATE PROPERTY.** Portions of many of these roads and trails cross private property. Please be careful.

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