

Todd Hill Overlook Scenic Ride

(24 mile round-trip scenic back road ride from Jackson's Lodge)

This is a scenic and intermediate ride on gravel roads, logging roads, class IV roads, and snowmobile trail. A mountain bike or a cross bike can handle the terrain. You'll ride along babbling brooks and through forest/tree plantations, with many views from hilltops. There ARE a number of hills on the route. Don't let that discourage you, though, because you can always walk your bike up the hill and enjoy the scenery that way. There is little or no vehicle traffic on most of this ride.

Directions from Jackson's Lodge:

- ▲ Turn right from Jackson Lodge Road onto Route 114. Ride 1.5 miles.
- Turn left onto Dubeau Road and ride 0.8 miles.
- ▲ Turn left onto a class IV road (no name). This road is just prior to a log house that you can see ahead on your right. You'll pass a driveway immediately on your right and you'll pass a log landing turn-off on your left. Stay to the right. Road turns to double track. You'll ride 1.08 miles on this (much of it uphill) and intersect with a snowmobile trail. (Snowmobile trail intersection has a sign at it. It is trail intersection EX 5.)
- ▲ Turn left on snowmobile trail (more double track) from EX 5 and continue on this trail. Veer right when you come to a Y. Just before the trail turns into Morrill Brook Road, you'll pass a home with a small apple orchard on the left. Trail then becomes gravel Morrill Brook

Road. As you are going downhill, keep a lookout for a small cemetery on your right. (This cemetery dates from 1885 and has only 1-2 marked stones and many unmarked stones.) Shortly after cemetery, you'll intersect with Canaan Hill Road. Distance from EX 5 to intersection of Morrill Brook Rd and Canaan Hill is 1.18 miles.

- △ Turn left onto (unmarked) Canaan Hill Road. Ride 1.2 miles.
- ▲ Turn right onto Clay Brook Road. Ride 1.1 miles.
- ▲ Turn left onto Old County Road. In 0.1 miles and bear right up steep hill for 0.7 miles. Old County Road becomes Class IV Hudson Road. Keep going. At 2.6 miles you'll see an old excavator on your left and just to right of that is a "moss alley." Continue another .2 miles until you intersect with Todd Hill Road. Itotal distance on Old County Rd/Hudson Rd= 2.8 miles)
- ▲ Turn right onto Todd Hill Road. Ride 1.8 miles to a fantastic view and pull-off area on your left. Good place for a picnic before turning around and reversing these directions on your way back.

(Total distance one-way is 12.08 miles.)