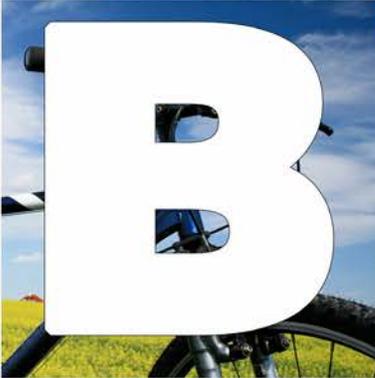


# BIKING

Temiskaming Shores and Beyond

CYCLING MAPS





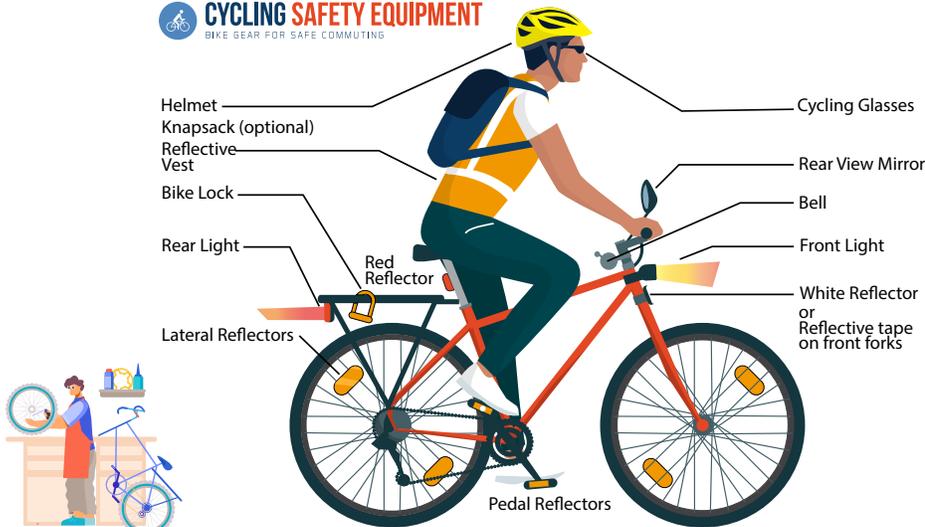
# MAP LEGEND

	Cycling		Store		Highway (White dashed line = Paved)
	Picnic Area		Hotel / Motel		Regional Road
	Golf		Restaurant		Road Other
	Baseball Diamond		Washrooms		Resource Road
	Walking		School		Railway
	Nordic Skiing		Gas Station		Abandoned Rwy
	Hiking		Hospital		Trans-Canada Highway
	Childrens Playground		Ontario Provincial Police		Lake
	Swimming		Cemetery		River/Creek
	Marina		Library		Wetland
	Boat Launch		Information		Mountain Contour
	Fishing		Museum		Wooded Area
	Trailers Camping		View location		Built Up Area
	Tent camping		Parking		Power Transmission
	Agriculture		Historic bridge(s) <small>Historic R/W Bridges</small>		Gas Pipeline
	Amish farmers		True North arrow		Township Border
	Amish buggies				Distance markers
	Mine headframe				
	Abandoned mine				
	Hydro dam				
	Ontario Provincial Park				

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## CYCLING SAFETY EQUIPMENT

BIKE GEAR FOR SAFE COMMUTING



**BICYCLE REPAIRS / SALES**  
**Howey Bros - experienced bicycle mechanic**  
 57a Whitewood Ave  
 New Liskeard, ON,  
 1-705 647-9444.  
 website: [howey-bros.com](http://howey-bros.com)

**SALES & PARTS**  
**Canadian Tire - Hwy 11**  
**Walmart - Hwy 11**

Free handbook of safety standards for any rider. Cycling Skills: Ontario's Guide to Safe Cycling (PDF - 9 MB)  
<http://www.mto.gov.on.ca/english/safety/bicycle-safety.shtml>



## Maps for the Cyclist

The maps presented here have been designed with the cyclist in mind. You can ride in a group or alone.

A summary table of all routes including selected ones in Quebec is provided.

Road categories are shown as paved and gravel on the maps. The white dashed line in the road indicates pavement. Town streets are paved.

A perfect introduction ride is the STATO trail which is a designated bikeway running along Lakeshore Road from New Liskeard to Haileybury (Temiskaming Shores) for 19.4 km.

There are touring routes radiating into the countryside. A favourite one is Twin Lakes, No. 9. There are optional starting points.

Cobalt is internationally famous as the birthplace of hard rock mining and was the leading mining camp for silver. It spawned a whole mining industry. There are many mining features to explore. The underground mining tour should be on your list. The routes radiate outward from the town, even out to the summer trails at the Nordic Ski Club. A great autumn leaf experience.

## Information & Help



The City of Temiskaming Shores has sponsored all our information on its website. The maps are online for downloading at:

[temiskamingshores.ca](http://temiskamingshores.ca)

705-672-3363

Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre

705-647-5709



Our Chamber of Commerce is known for helping first time visitors. They are familiar with the region and can offer advice on where to go. [tsacc.ca](http://tsacc.ca) • 705-647-5771

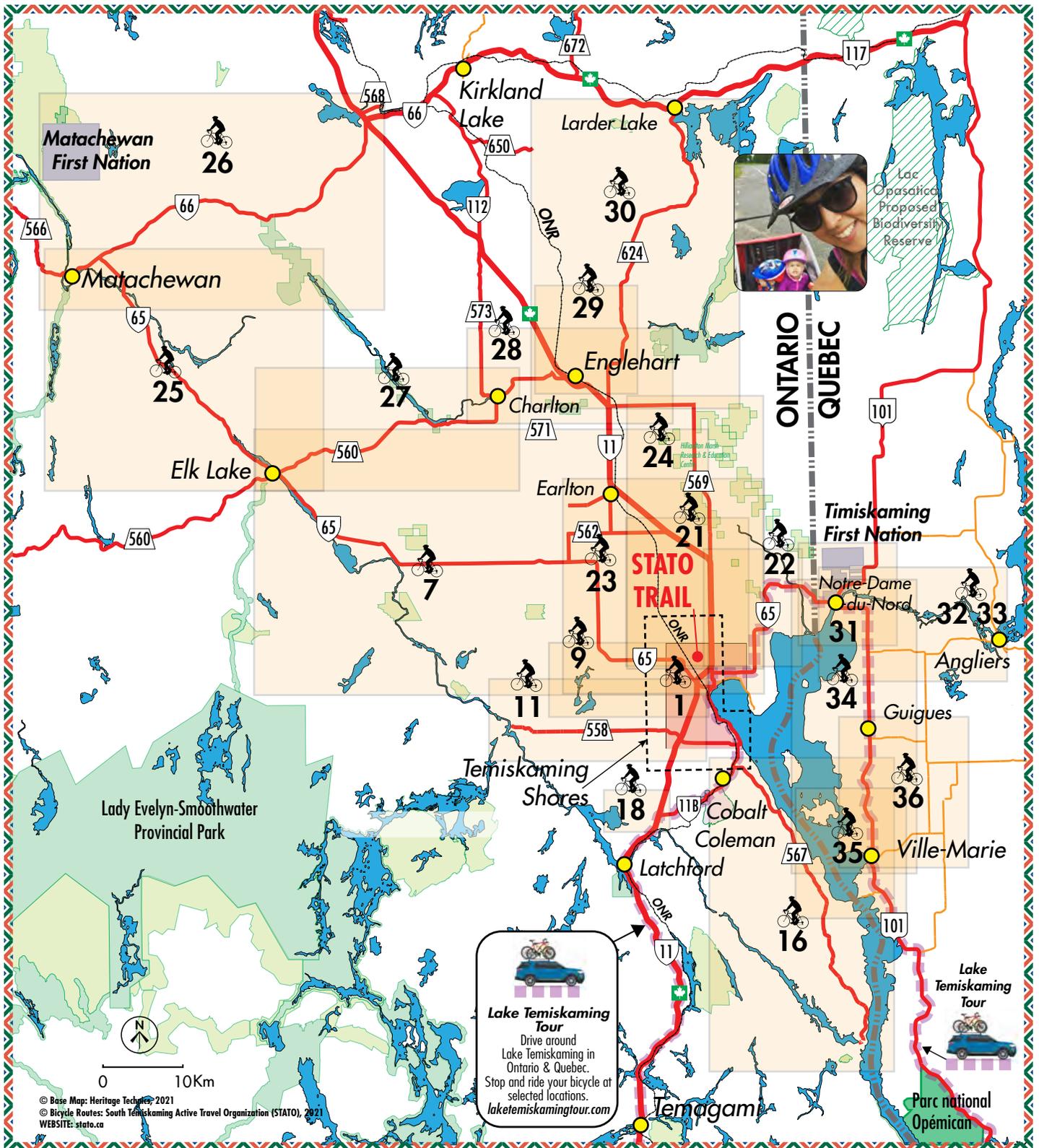


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## South Temiskaming Bicycle Routes Summary

ROUTE No,	DESTINATION	SURFACE	DISTANCE	DETAILS	DIFFICULTY
1	STATO Trail	Paved	19.4 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
2	Countryside East	Mix of Paved/Gravel	19.5 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
3	Dawson Pt. Road	Paved	10 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
4	Uno Park	Gravel	22.5 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
5	School Connector	Paved	0.7 km	1 way	Easy
6	Whitewood Connector (New Liskeard)	Paved	1.9 km	1 way	Easy
7	New Liskeard to Elk Lake (James Twp)	Paved	65.9 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
8	Historic Pete's Dam Park	Gravel	4 km	loop	Moderate (one steep hill)
9	Twin Lakes (Option A)	Paved	50 km	return	Advanced
9	Twin Lakes (Option B)	Paved	30 km	return	Moderate (some hills)
9	Twin Lakes (Option C)	Gravel	30 km	return	Moderate
10	Clover Valley / Sunnyside Road	Mix of Paved & Gravel	14.3 km	loop	Advanced (some hills)
11	Mowat Landing	Paved	22.2 km	1 way	Moderate / Advanced (hills)
13	Quarry Road Connector	Gravel	5.6 km	1 way	Easy
14	Northern College Connector	Paved	2.8 km	1 way	Easy
15	Farr Cemetery / Mill Creek	Gravel	1.8 km	1 way	Easy
16	Bucke Park / Devil's Rock / Lorrain Valley (Option A)	Paved / Hard Packed	25 km	return	Moderate (some hills)
16	Bucke Park / Devil's Rock / Lorrain Valley (Option B)	Paved / Hard Packed	43.7 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
17	Coleman Township	Paved	28 km	loop	Advanced (some hills)
18	Nordic Ski Club	Gravel	20 km	loops	Moderate (some hills)
19	Cobalt / Coleman Heritage Silver Trail	Mix of Paved/Gravel	5 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
21	New Liskeard / Thornloe via Uno Park (Option A)	Mix of Paved/Gravel	23.8 km	return	Moderate (some hills)
21	New Liskeard / Thornloe via Uno Park (Option B)	Mix of Paved/Gravel	20.5 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
22	Casey Mountain Countryside	Gravel	37 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
24	Hilliardton / Tomstown	Mix of Paved/Gravel	24 km	1 way	Easy
25	Elk Lake to Matachewan	Paved	37.4 km	1 way	Advanced
26	Matachewan to Kenogami	Paved	44.5 km	1 way	Advanced
27	Elk Lake to Charlton (Hwy 560)	Paved	30.7 km	1 way	Advanced
28	Charlton / Englehart Area	Mix of Paved/Gravel	26.9 km	loop	Easy
29	Englehart	Mix of Paved/Gravel	28.6 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
30	Hwy 624 to Larder Lake	Paved	41 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
31&32	Notre-Dame-du-Nord (Option A)	Paved	15 km	return	Easy
31&32	Notre-Dame-du-Nord (Option B)	Paved	50 km	loop	Moderate (some hills)
33	Angliers	Paved	11 km	1 way	Moderate (some hills)
33B.	Témiscamingue Linear Park, The Mocassin Line	Stone dust	43 km	1 way	Easy
34	Hwy 101 - Québec	Paved	32 km	return	Moderate (some hills)
35	Ville Marie - Île du Collège / La Bannick	Paved	20 km	return	Moderate (some hills)
36	Témiscamingue	Paved	38 km	return	Advanced

# KEY PLAN OF BICYCLE ROUTES



The District of Temiskaming and in particular, South Temiskaming, is where the Little Claybelt lies. The glacial lakes retreated eventually, leaving a rich clay soil that is now the basis for a successful northern agricultural area. The bicycle routes take advantage of the flat and undulating landscape. The numbers shown on the key map indicate a single route and the box is the area covered. Each route has its own descriptive content.

# 1. STATO Trail

Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 19.4 km (1 way) • Surface: paved • Start: Farr Park or Dymond Ball Park



The South Temiskaming Active Travel Organization (STATO) was the first ambitious start in establishing a separate urban trail system connecting historic Dymond, New Liskeard and Haileybury.

The New Liskeard node is an excellent starting point for riding south along the STATO trail and also for countryside journeys north of New Liskeard. The Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre has a few tricycles for rent – ideal for seniors. This stretch of trail along the waterfront is particularly suited to family cycling. A separate path will appeal to walkers and joggers.

The STATO trail continues south and meets up with the road with a separate path on Lakeshore Rd. It arrives at the Haileybury waterfront and continues onward to Farr Park.

You can also get all the way to Dymond taking the newest section of the STATO trail behind the mall leading to Grant Drive.



**SOUTH TEMISKAMING BICYCLE ROUTES**

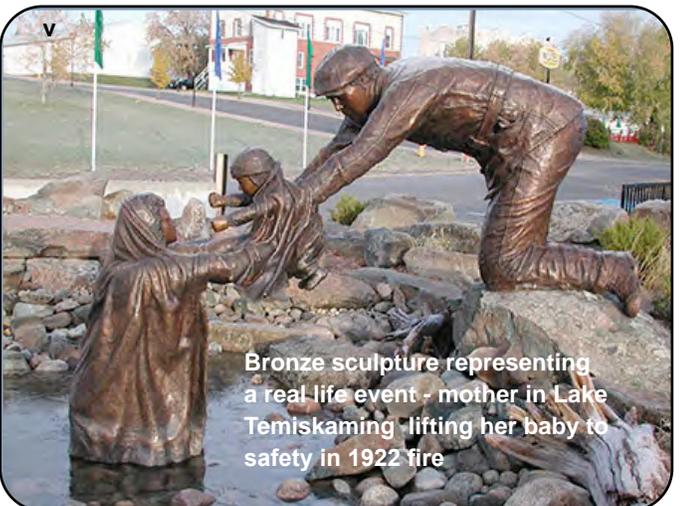
**Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre, New Liskeard**



**Start: Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre, New Liskeard**



**STATO trail & Boardwalk - New Liskeard**



## 2. Countryside East

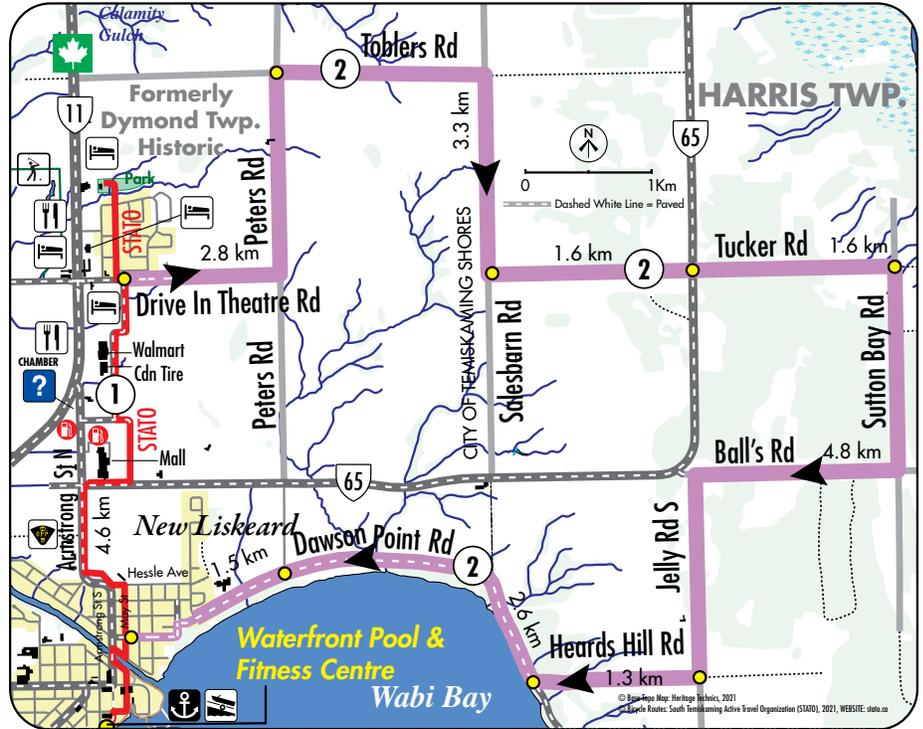
**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 19.5 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre • **Caution:** crossing Hwy 65 East • **Suggestion:** ride clockwise

The area north of Wabi Bay provides a good cross section of Claybelt agriculture and when rounding the lake, Dawson Rd. once again, is a relaxing ride on good pavement. Harris Twp. has its share of forested land to the east.

Half the route lies in Temiskaming Shores and the other is in Harris Twp. which is an incorporated municipality.



*Take your tire repair kit for long country trips*



**Agricultural Farm in distance, north of New Liskeard**



**Heards Hill Road, looking towards Lake Temiskaming**

### 3. Dawson Pt. Road

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 10 km (1 way) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre

The complete route starts at the Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre and connects to Dawson Pt. Rd.

You will encounter beautiful views along the countryside on these quiet roads. Cottages are located along the shoreline. The view from the dock at the end of the road provides a delightful view of Lake Temiskaming. Look down by the dock and you can find yourself a fossil or two.



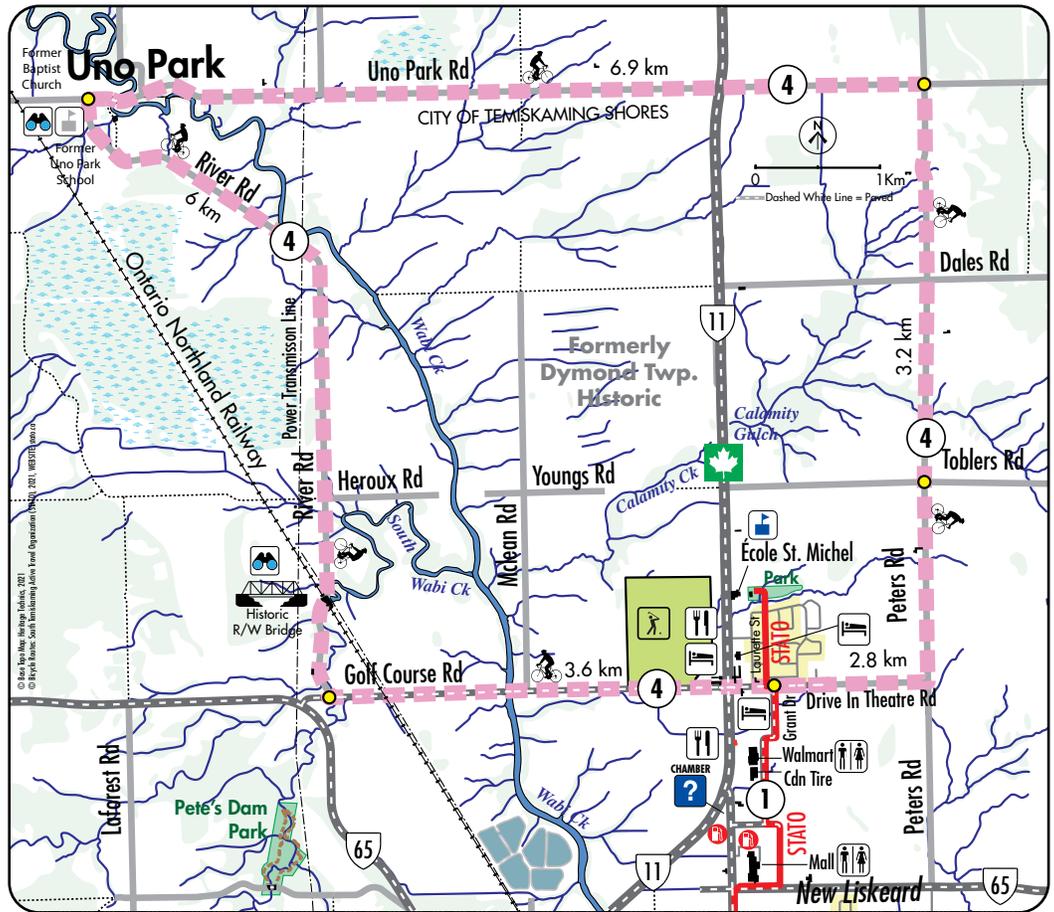
# 4. Uno Park

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 22.5 km (loop) • **Surface:** gravel • **Start:** Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre

The Uno Park route is another popular route close to New Liskeard. Take the STATO trail up to Drive-In Theatre Rd., right then left on Peter's Road all the way to Uno Park Road. Safely cross the road and come back via River Road and Golf Course Road.

In Uno Park, there is still an old schoolhouse standing.

Be sure to view the historic steel railway bridge as you ride under it. It is over a century old.

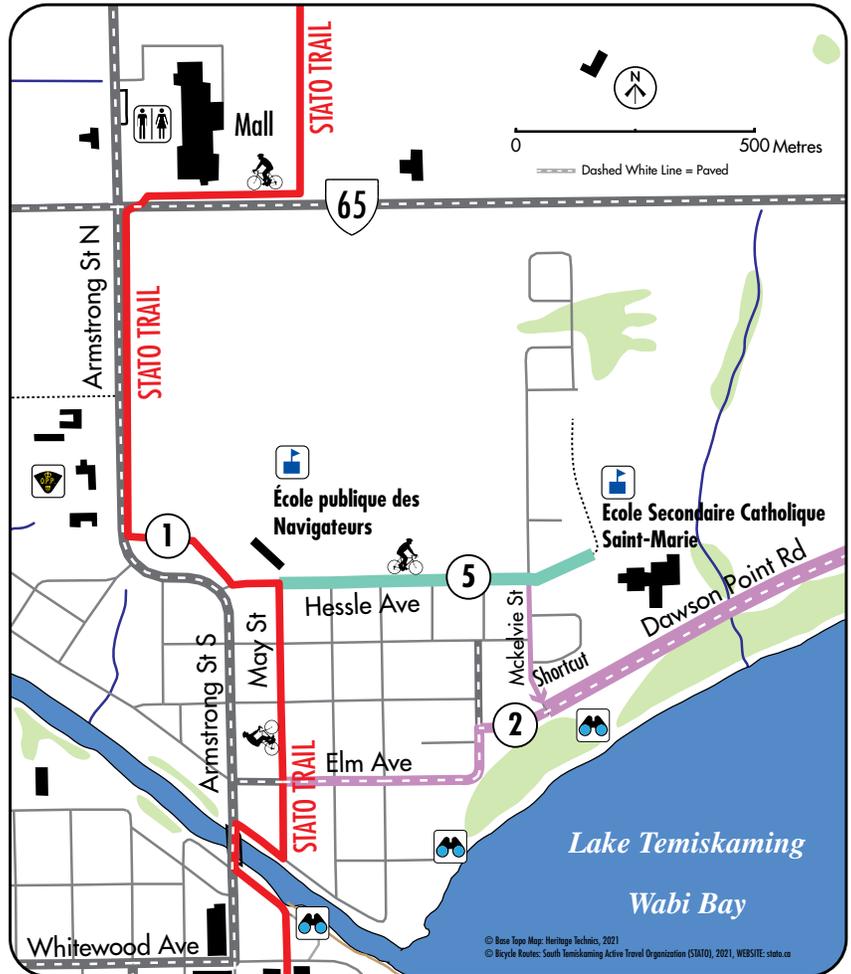


## 5. School Connector

This is a short extension (0.7 km) of the STATO trail that services students cycling to École secondaire catholique Sainte-Marie as well as École publique des Navigateurs (a French public school). The bicycle route is separated by a pavement white line.

Hessle St. can be used if you are coming from the north on the STATO trail and makes a short cut to the Dawson Pt. Rd. route. Turn south on McKelvie St. and then down to Dawson Pt. Rd.

Cyclists can ride from schools all the way to the mall using the STATO trail.



STATO trail east side of Armstrong St. N. leading to mall



STATO trail passes by École publique des Navigateurs



View of Lake Temiskaming

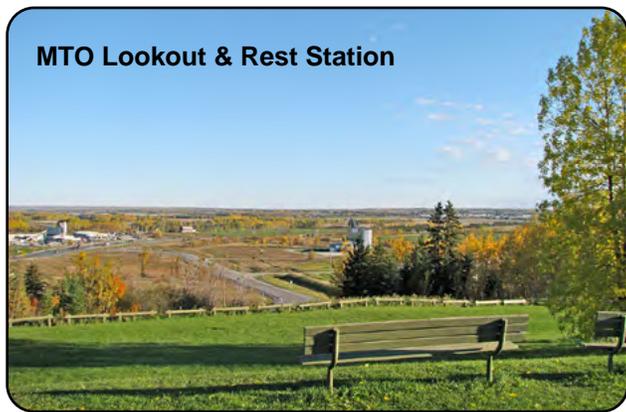
## 6. Whitewood Connector (New Liskeard)

Whitewood Ave. (1.9 km) is one of two main roads that cross each other in the centre of town. The other is Armstrong Street.

This is the business hub of historic New Liskeard. You may want to visit the interesting stores along this stretch.

Traffic moves slowly. If you are leaving the Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre, you can also use Farah Ave. – a pleasant residential Street takes you to Edith St. At the lights, you are on Whitewood.

There is another shortcut off Shepherdson St. that offers access to the Lookout on Hwy 11. It is a snowmobile & ATV trail. The view provides a good idea of how the Little Claybelt fans out from the head of the lake at New Liskeard as shown in the photo.



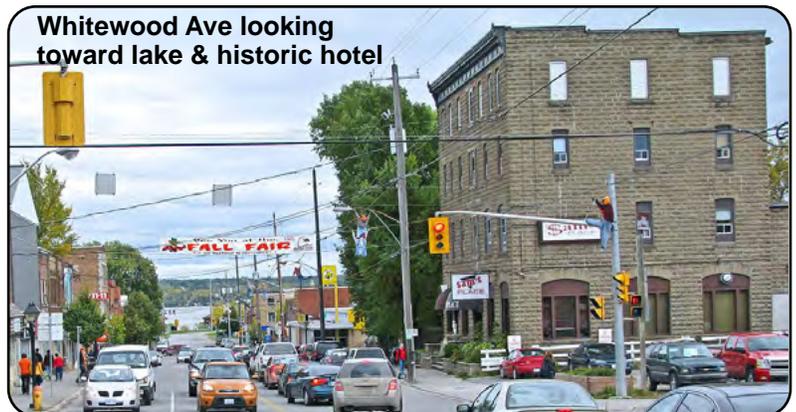
MTO Lookout & Rest Station



New Liskeard waterfront marina & boardwalk



HISTORIC Carnegie Library, now under other use



Whitewood Ave looking toward lake & historic hotel

# 7. New Liskeard to Elk Lake (James Twp)

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 65.9 km (1 way) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre

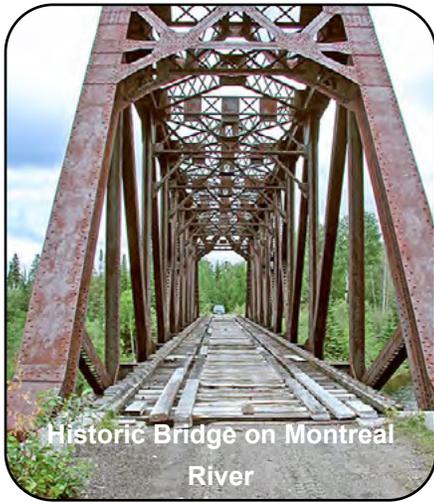
The Elk Lake route is one of our longer routes that takes you through 6 townships – the last being the Municipality of James that embraces the town of Elk Lake.

Hwy. 65 W has long stretches of flat roadway. Good to make time on.

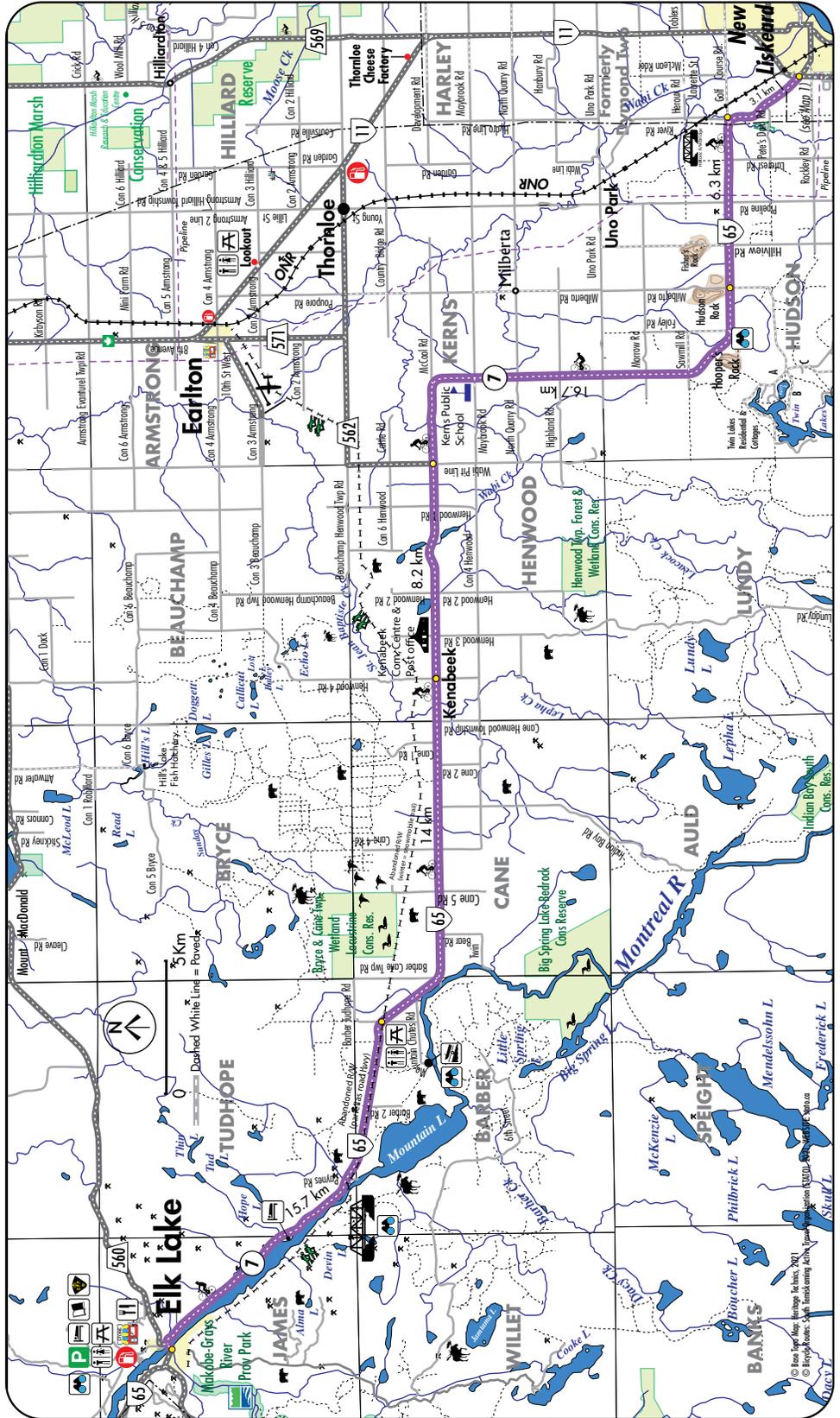
Scenery is generally agricultural and forests. Land clearing is still going on in this area as you are at the edge of the Little Claybelt.

The Montreal River is actually a geological fault line.

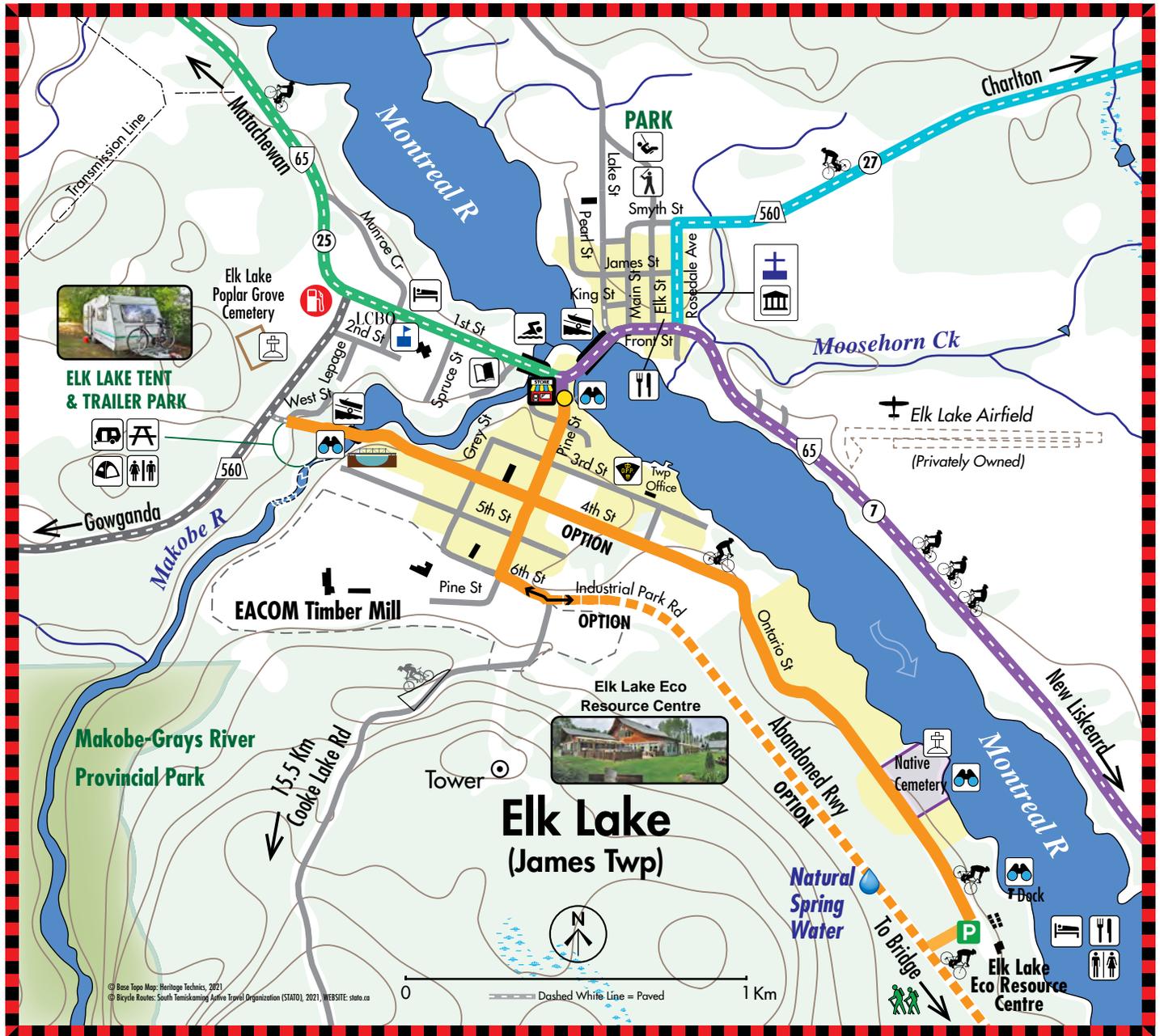
Well maintained washrooms are located at the bend in Barber Twp.



Historic Bridge on Montreal River



**SOUTH TEMISKAMING BICYCLE ROUTES**



## 8. Historic Pete's Dam Park

**Difficulty:** moderate (one steep hill) • **Distance:** 4 km (loop) •  
**Surface:** gravel • **Start:** Pete's Dam parking lot

One of the best little parks in the rural area of Temiskaming Shores. It offers a winding picturesque walking trail to the downstream location of a historical feature. The running water over the rapids make for a pleasant backdrop. It is a popular place to cool off on a hot summer's day.

This is more of a technical mountain biking experience with some single and double tracks. You can do multiple loops within the park if you are on a bike or venture off from there on the country gravel roads to Rockley or Twin Lake (See Map 9).

**Note:** Along the main trail, you will encounter the Miller Group Bridge – you will have to walk your bike up and down the steps.

### A Short History

*In the spring of 1906, Kalil (Big Pete) Farah embarked upon a project to build a steam power plant that would supply the Town of New Liskeard. Big Pete bought the power site at Chester Falls from Tom Chester and a dam was built above these falls on the south branch of the Wabi River.*

*In 1910, Farah sold Pete's Dam and its assets to the Northern Ontario Light and Power Company. New Liskeard then received its power from the line that linked them to Cobalt, its neighbour to the south. The exact date the power plant went out of service is unknown, but it is believed that it was in the 1920's.*

*The Northern Ontario Power Company sold its assets to the Hydro Electric Power Commission of Ontario which included Pete's Dam.*

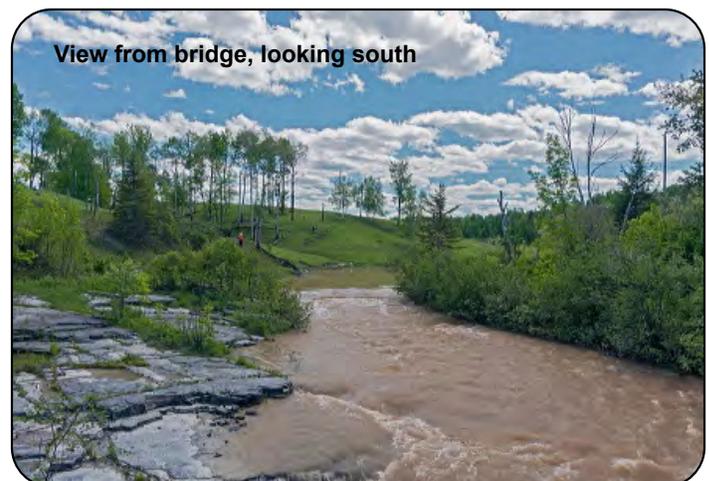
*In 1981, Dymond Township (now Temiskaming Shores) bought the property and it is now known as Pete's Dam Park. The little electric plant no longer exists but the beauty of the waterfall and rapids draws many locals and visitors for picnicking and hiking.*



Drink your water regularly !



Sheltered Picnic Tables



View from bridge, looking south

Flat Rapids at Wabi River north of road bridge



# 9. Twin Lakes

**Option A:** Difficulty: advanced • Distance: 50km (return) • Start: Waterfront Pool & Fitness Centre; see Whitewood Connector (Map 6); Surface: paved

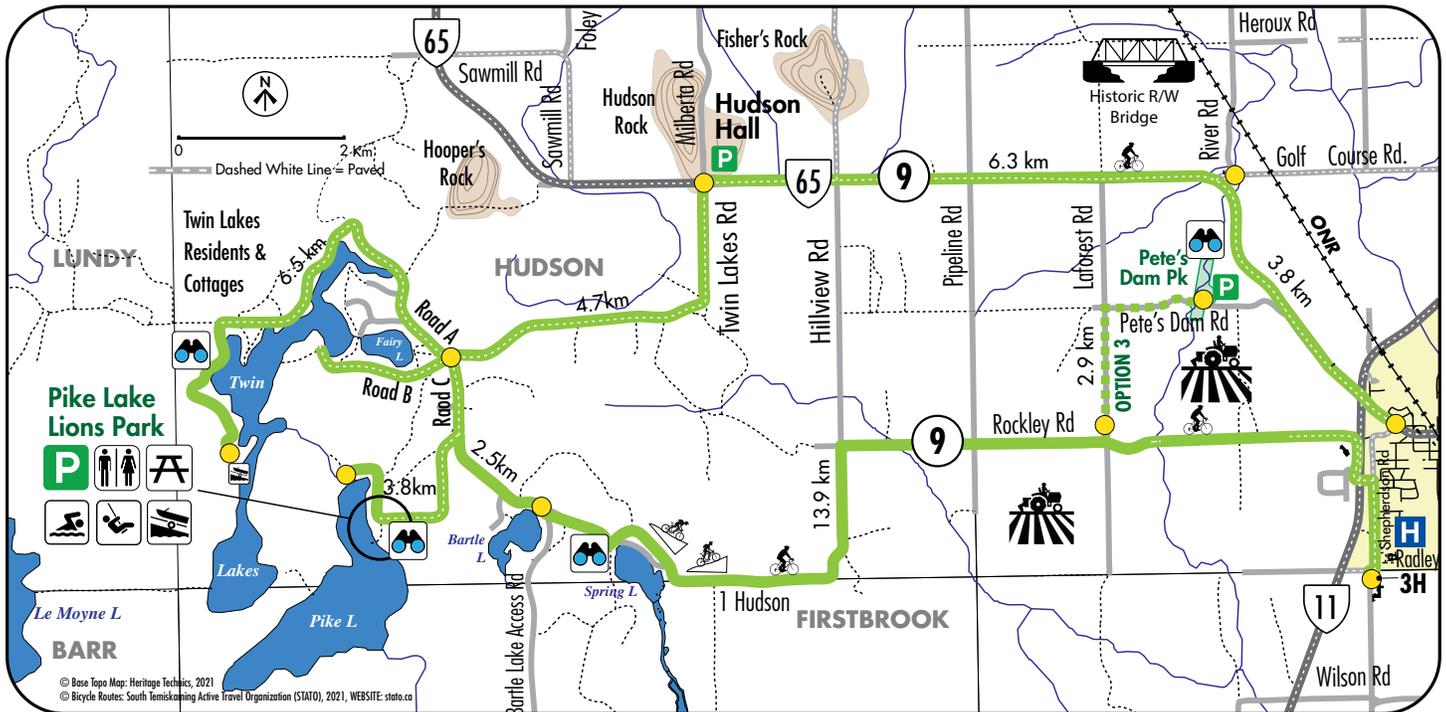
**Option B:** Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 30km (Road A, B & C) (return) • Start: Hudson Hall (Hwy 65 W) • Surface: paved

**Option C:** Difficulty: moderate • Distance: 30km (return) • Start: Pete's Dam • Surface: gravel

You can get to Twin Lakes from New Liskeard if you are up for a longer ride, or from the Hudson Hall if you want to keep in under 30km.

portion of the road will have a short rock patch, but the 'trail' brings you to Pike Lake Lions Park (Rd. C). Continue your exploration of the Twin Lakes community by riding Roads A, B, and C.

Alternatively, you could also use the gravel roads shown as Route 9 below for a more rugged experience. A meandering



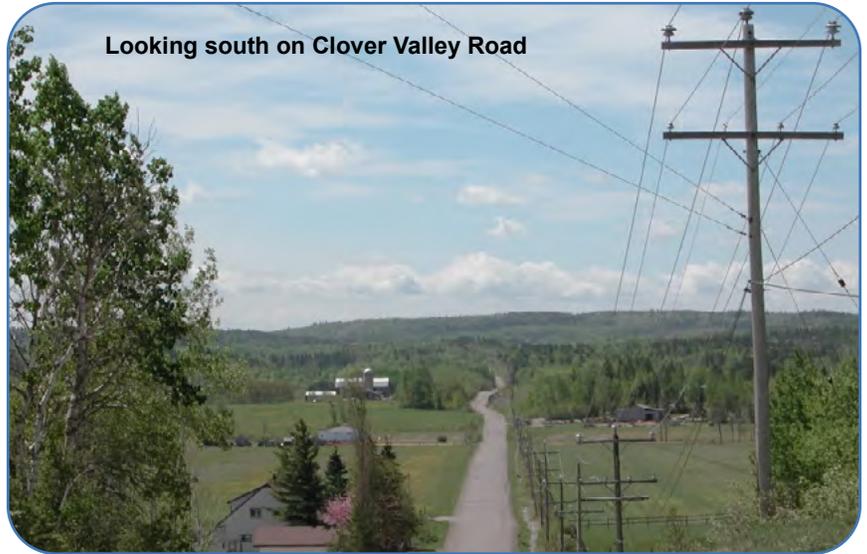
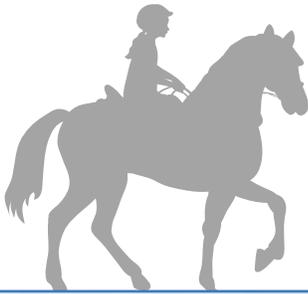
# 10. Clover Valley / Sunnyside Road

**Difficulty:** advanced (some hills) • **Distance:** 14.3 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Haileybury Waterfront

When riding on the STATO (1) trail, you might want to make a longer loop version.

From Haileybury, take the steep climb from Main Street to West Road, past the Haileybury Heritage Museum, and then level off to reach Clover Valley Road. The descent into Clover Valley is hobby farm country. Ride past horses in their paddocks. There is a bit of an incline in the road until you turn on Sunnyside Road. Then, a lovely tree lined downhill ride from this point.

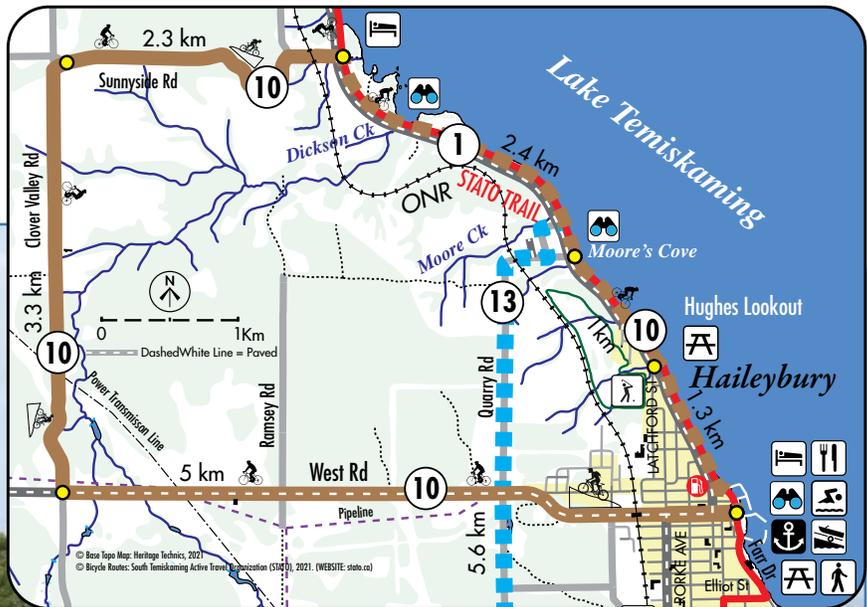
Cross over Lakeshore Drive to the STATO Trail again. From there, come back to Haileybury, or go left to finish at New Liskeard's Waterfront.



Looking south on Clover Valley Road



Pastoral scene along Clover Valley Road



# 11. Mowat Landing

**Difficulty:** moderate / advanced (some hills) • **Distance:** 22.2 km (1 way) from Hwy. 11 • **Surface:** paved. Last 11.6 km gravel • **Start:** Kenworth parking lot on Radley if taking Clover Valley to get to Road 558, or start from the junction of Road 558 and Hwy 11

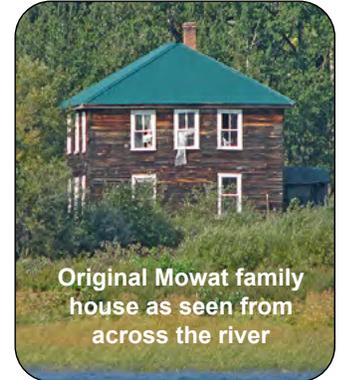
Riding Regional Rd. 558 is a getaway with minimal traffic. The map shows where the pavement ends and gravel begins.

From Hwy 11, you will soon be passing through a rock cut. Then you dip down in to a little valley with farm fields on your left.

Continue past Bartle Lake Access Rd. that turns into the Twin Lakes area.

Mowat Landing was a strategic point during the fur trade era. When you are standing on the dock you can see the original Mowat house across the water. There is a public boat launch with parking.

Mowat Landing Cottages has boat rental services. You can buy a few snacks at the lodge house before you make your return trip.



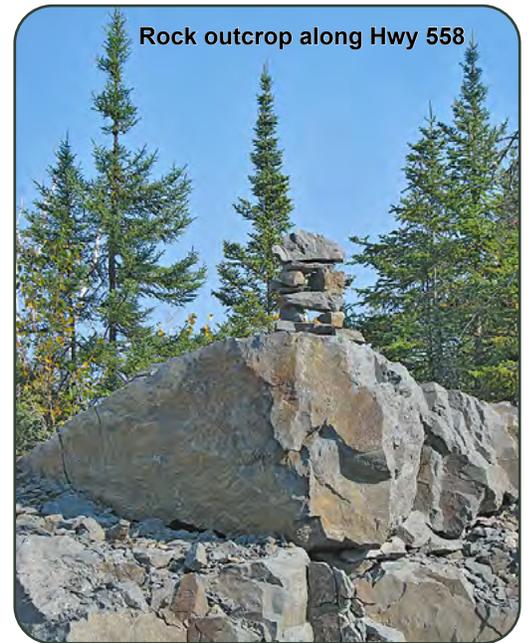
Original Mowat family house as seen from across the river

*The Mowat family of Mowat's Landing, which is located eighteen miles west of Haileybury on the banks of the Montreal River, watched the arrival of the loggers and settlers and the building of such famous towns as Cobalt, Haileybury, New Liskeard, Silver Centre, Gowganda and Kirkland Lake*

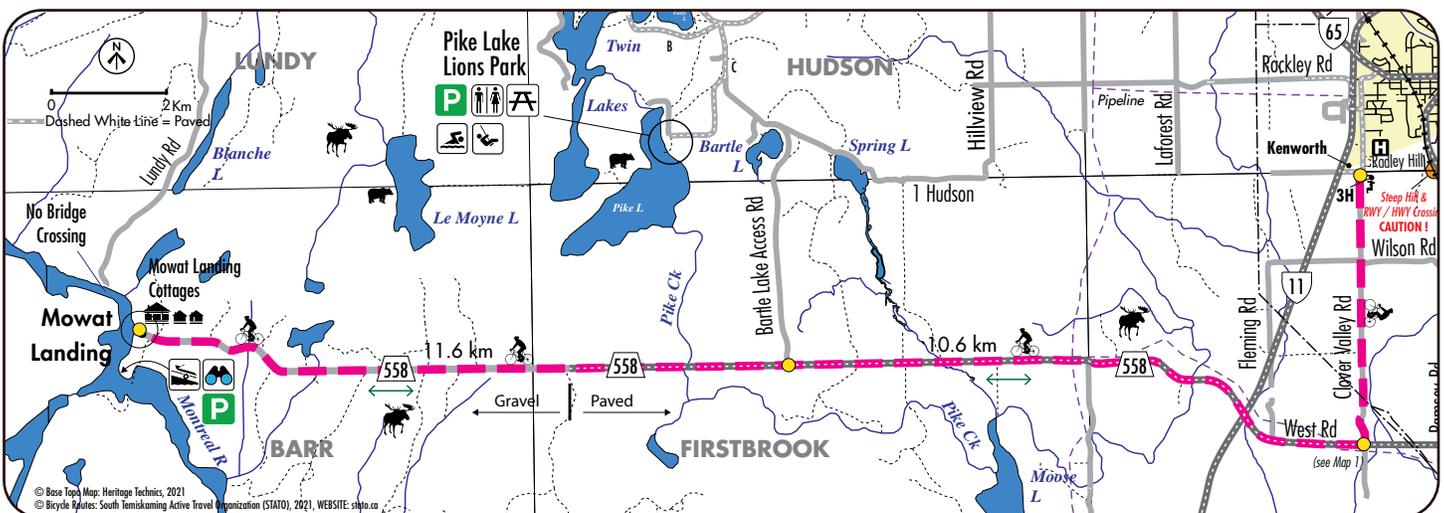
By Edward F. Mantle



Dock - Mowat Landing Cottages



Rock outcrop along Hwy 558



# 13. Quarry Road Connector

**Difficulty:** easy • **Distance:** 5.6 km (1 way) • **Surface:** gravel • **Connector route**

The quarry was owned by C. C. Farr, the founder and first mayor of Haileybury. Remnants of the historic quarry still exist. Limestone for the first cathedral in Haileybury came from this quarry. The 1922 Fire destroyed this church.

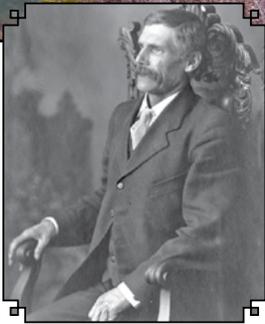
Long distance riders familiar with local routes, may want to

come off the STATO trail, cycle up the short incline and continue along the quiet road to meet route 16, or travel south to Cobalt on Route 17.

The reverse, from the south, provides a quick access to the STATO trail for a complete loop.



Farr Quarry



C. C. Farr, founder of Haileybury & land developer



The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints on left



Haileybury Heritage Museum



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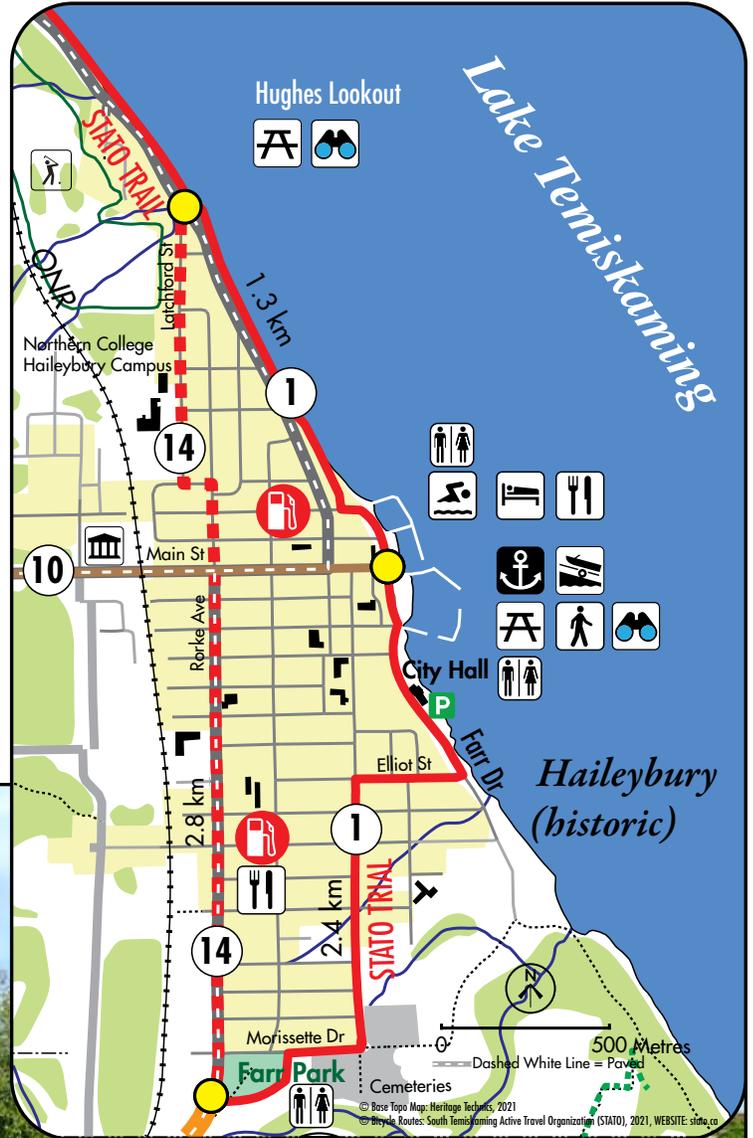
# 14. Northern College Connector

Difficulty: easy • Distance: 2.8 km • Surface: paved • Connector route

Northern College's origins lie in the first mining industry faculty. It has grown since the early days with a varied curriculum. Visitors are welcome to come in for a self-tour. Next door is the Rock Walk – a phenomenal collection of boulder sized specimens from mine sites in N. E. Ontario. Meander around and learn in a few minutes a bit about how rich in minerals this section of the province is. This is an educational visit that can prepare you for your journey down to Cobalt, the town built on the world famous silver mining boom of the early 1900s.



Rock Walk exhibit at Northern College



# 15. Farr Cemetery / Mill Creek

**Difficulty:** easy • **Distance:** 1.8 km (1 way) • **Surface:** gravel to cemetery • **Start:** Farr Park

Farr Cemetery, named after C. C. Farr, has a special place in the history of the area. It was the first cemetery established when this area was beginning to be settled. A circular layout is the focus. It has a convenient sheltered bench for visitors. There is a dirt trail following Mill Creek – nice for technical riding.

Another gem is the trail leading down from the cemetery to the mouth of Mill Ck. An archaeological site was investigated a few years ago demonstrating use, first by First Nations and then by others.

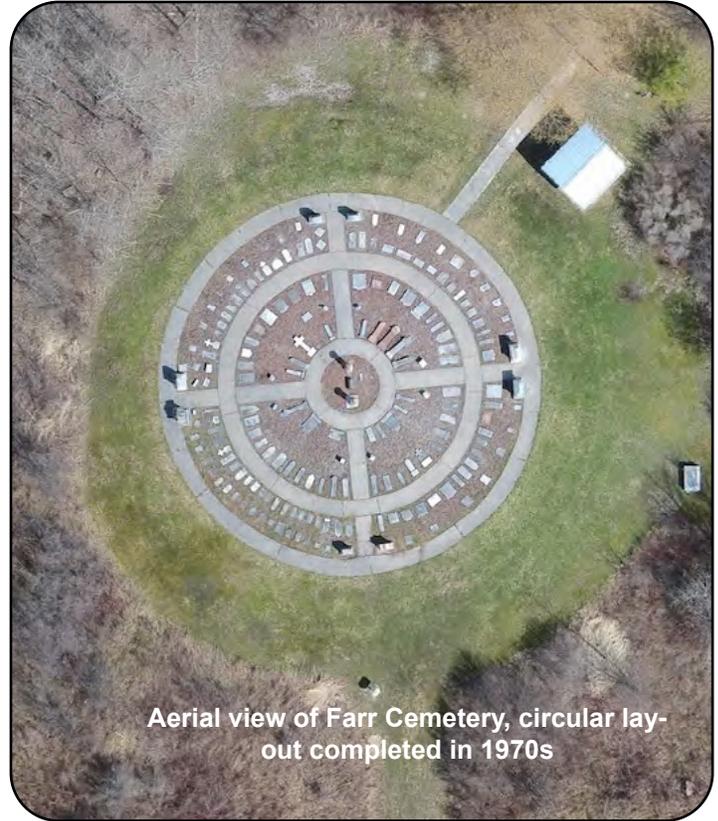
An ancient portage route followed the creek.

There is a natural falls half way along the creek that was the site of Piche flour and sawmill built in the late 1890s.

Logs were floated down Mill Creek from Cobalt Lake. A wooden raceway was built to get the logs down to the mouth of creek. Here they were collected (boomed) for their journey down Lake Temiskaming (Ottawa River) and onto the big Ottawa mills.

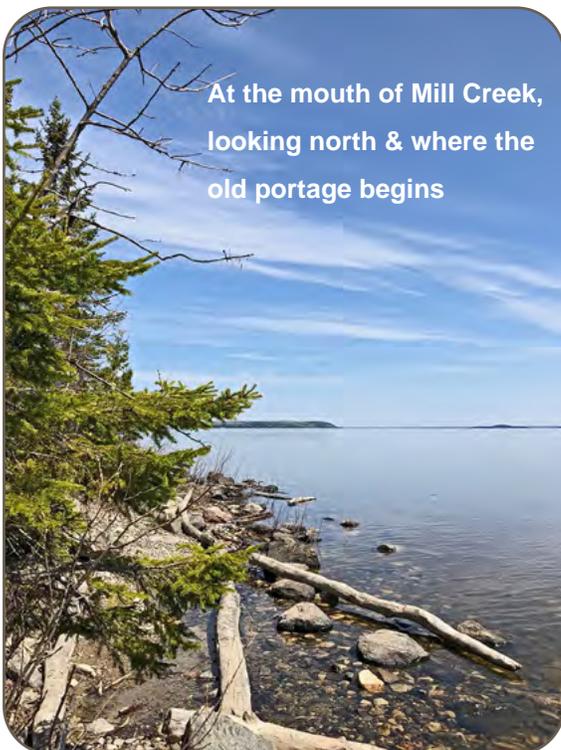
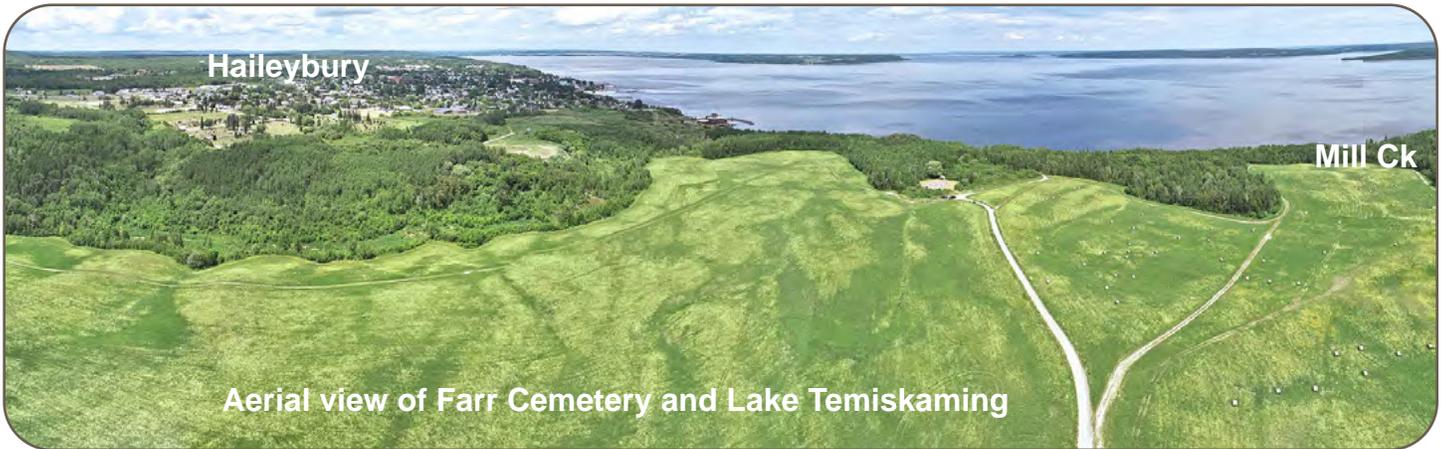
This area is dog friendly as the City allows your dog to run freely.

There are two natural locations along the creek – one is the falls where the first grist mill was built and a second is the bend where you can relax and be at peace with nature.



Aerial view of Farr Cemetery, circular layout completed in 1970s



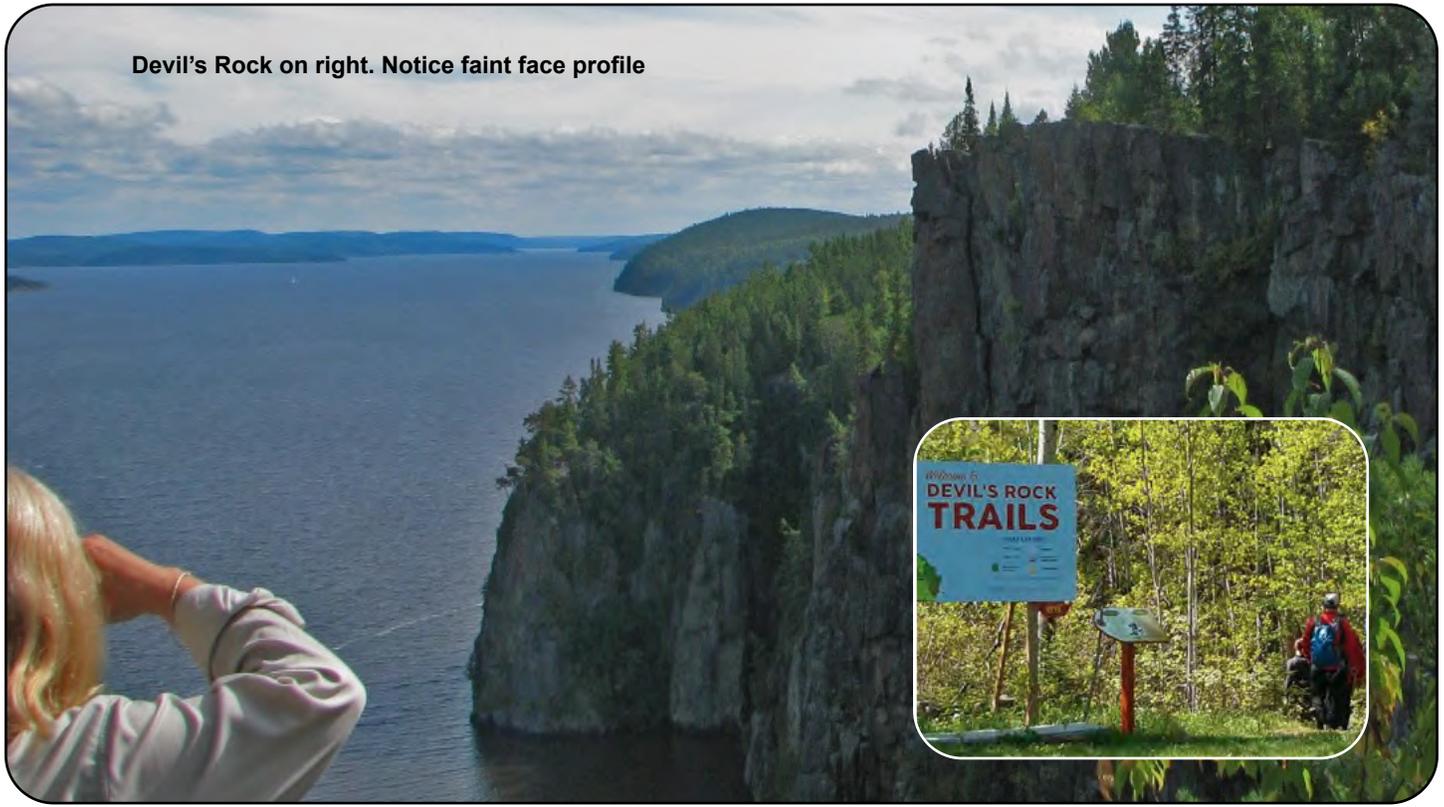


*First Nation people have been using Mill Creek for hundreds of years. During the fur trade period, they would often use the creek and portage route to reach the Montreal River.*

*There is a protected archaeological site at the mouth of the creek. Later, during the timbering era, a wooden raceway was built to float the cut logs over the dam to the mouth where they were gathered or 'boomed up' for their trip down Lake Temiskaming.*



# 16. Bucke Park / Devil's Rock / Lorrain Valley



Devil's Rock on right. Notice faint face profile

**OPTION A: Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 25km (return) • Start: Farr Park parking lot • Surface: paved**

Make your way through North Cobalt. Hang left (east) on Silver Centre Road. Regional Rd. 567 running down the west side of Lake Temiskaming is a popular scenic road in all seasons. Cyclists will not see heavy traffic. Along the way, you can hike a trail over to the iconic Devil's Rock with its 300-foot cliff. Just spectacular! It is respected by locals and First Nations people. There are some old farmsteads along the paved highway.

**OPTION B: Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 43.7 km (1 way) • Start: Farr Park parking lot • Surface: paved & gravel**

You will proceed, per option A, along the gravel section of the highway. Eventually, you will cross the huge Montreal River hydro dam and the Matabitchuan River. Another highlight along the way is the historic Old Mission Site which is on Lake Temiskaming opposite the Fort Temiscamingue National Historic Site. It is a very nice ride if you feel like doing a longer gravel ride from North Cobalt (90km return).



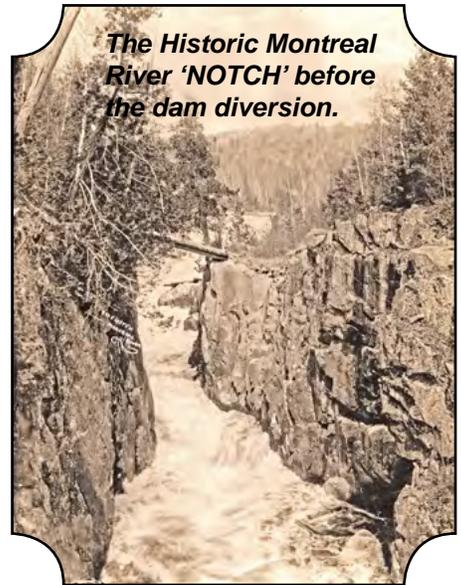
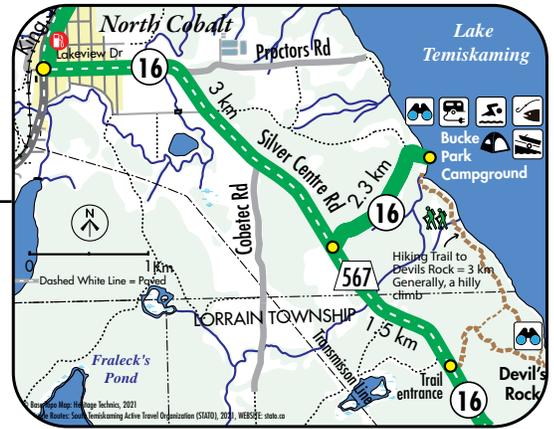
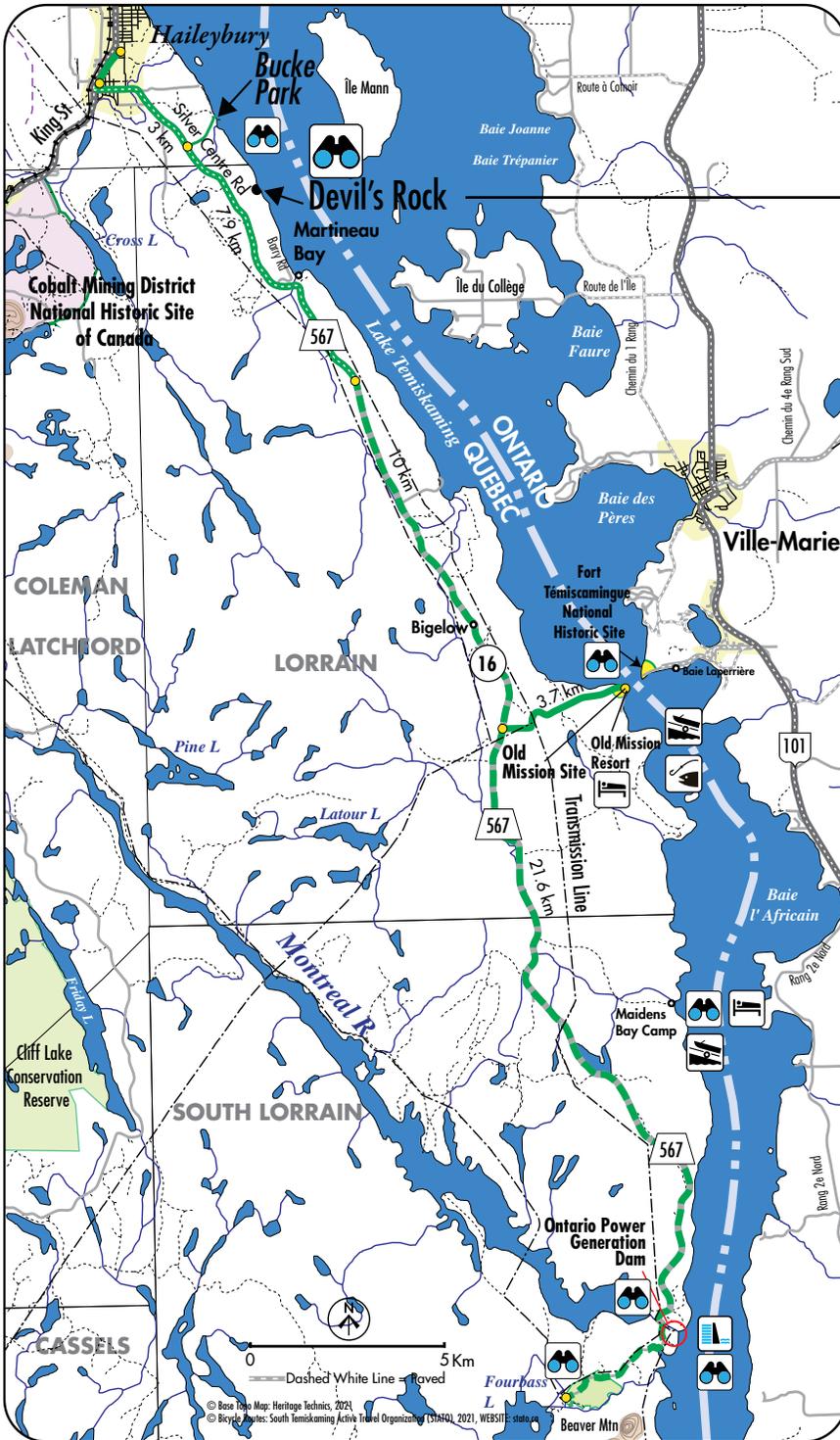
Bucke Park Campground



Aerial photo of Bucke Park Campground



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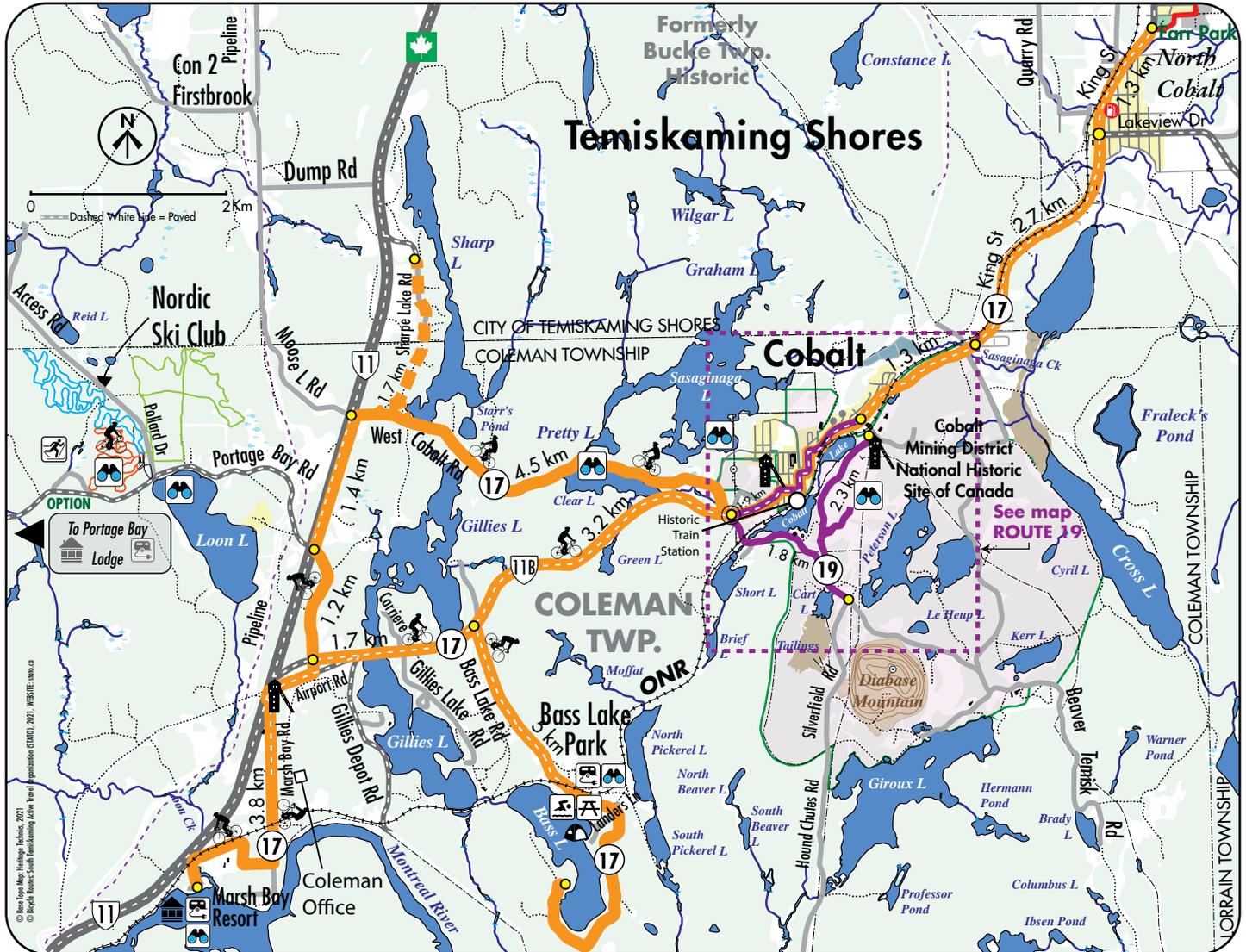
# 17. Coleman Township

**Difficulty:** advanced (some hills) • **Distance:** 28 km • **Surface:** paved (except for Sharpe Lake) • **Start:** Cobalt train

Follow Highway 11 B which provides access to Bass Lake and Coleman's Bass Lake Resort Trailer Park & Campground. Full park amenities here include a trailer park, chil-

ren's play area, beach and picnic areas.

Explore Marsh Bay and return to 11B, cross over to Portage Bay Road. Return to Cobalt along the West Cobalt Rd.



**Coleman municipal office - information & parking**



**Headframe across from Coleman office**

**Bass Lake Resort Trailer Park & Campground**



**Bass Lake beach**



**Aerial view of Bass Lake Resort Trailer Park & Campground**



**Bass Lake playground**



**Bass Lake trailer area**



**Bass Lake facilities**



# 18. Nordic Ski Club



**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 20km trail loops, well-marked • **Surface:** trails • **Start:** Temiskaming Nordic Ski Club parking lot (<https://www.temiskamingnordic.ca/>)

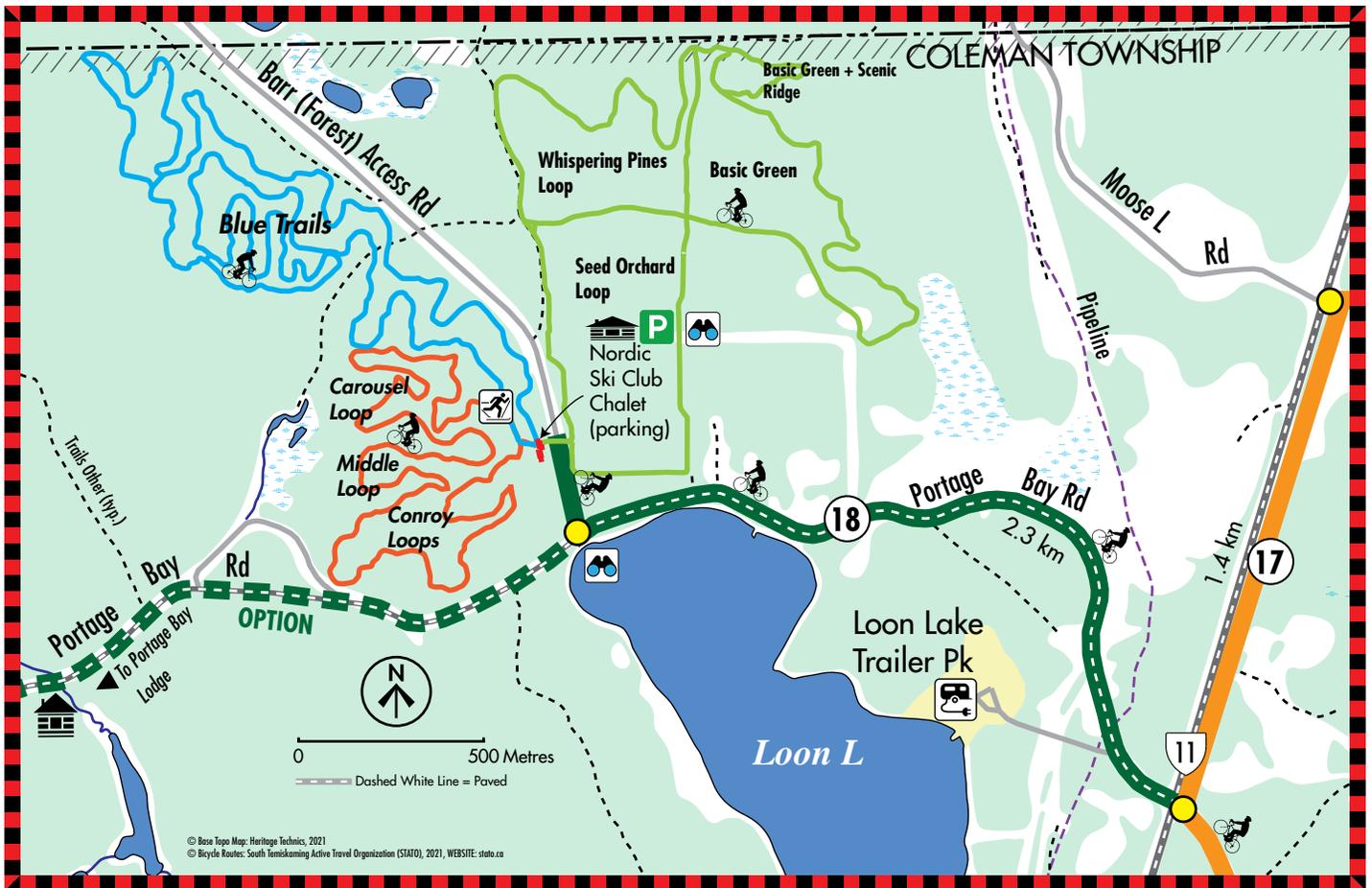
The ski club has 20 km of well-marked, groomed trails. The three beautiful trails offer varying levels of difficulty and length, making them enjoyable for the beginner, intermediate and advanced level cyclists.

The combination of rolling esker terrain, unique trail system design would give any cyclist a great experience, especially in the fall.

You can reach the trails by taking Hwy 11 B from Cobalt. Turn off at Portage Bay Road. Alternatively, you can start right from the trail parking lot at the Chalet.



Trails in the fall



Nordic Ski trails in the Fall

# 19. Cobalt / Coleman Heritage Silver Trail

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 5 km loop • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Cobalt train station

Whether you are a first-time visitor to Cobalt or a local resident, there is plenty to experience in this world famous silver mining town. That's one reason the Cobalt Mining District National Historic Site was established. The area is a favourite outdoor laboratory for geology students from many universities and numerous rock hounds.

The town has a distinct geographic flavour to it. On the west side, small houses are perched on the sloped rock. It sprang up almost overnight after silver veins were found in 1903 as the railroad was being constructed. It was a rough and ready place.

The historic Right-of-Way Headframe is one of the remaining headframes that links one to the mining past. The name originates because the mining tunnels (drifts) actually ran under the railway – and they are still there, although all flooded in now. The headframe has been restored by the Historical Society of Cobalt.

A headframe is a mining building with a hoist and cage sys-

tem that operates vertically. The hoist machinery was located separately back from the main shaft building with cables running at an angle, thus giving the unique headframe shape.

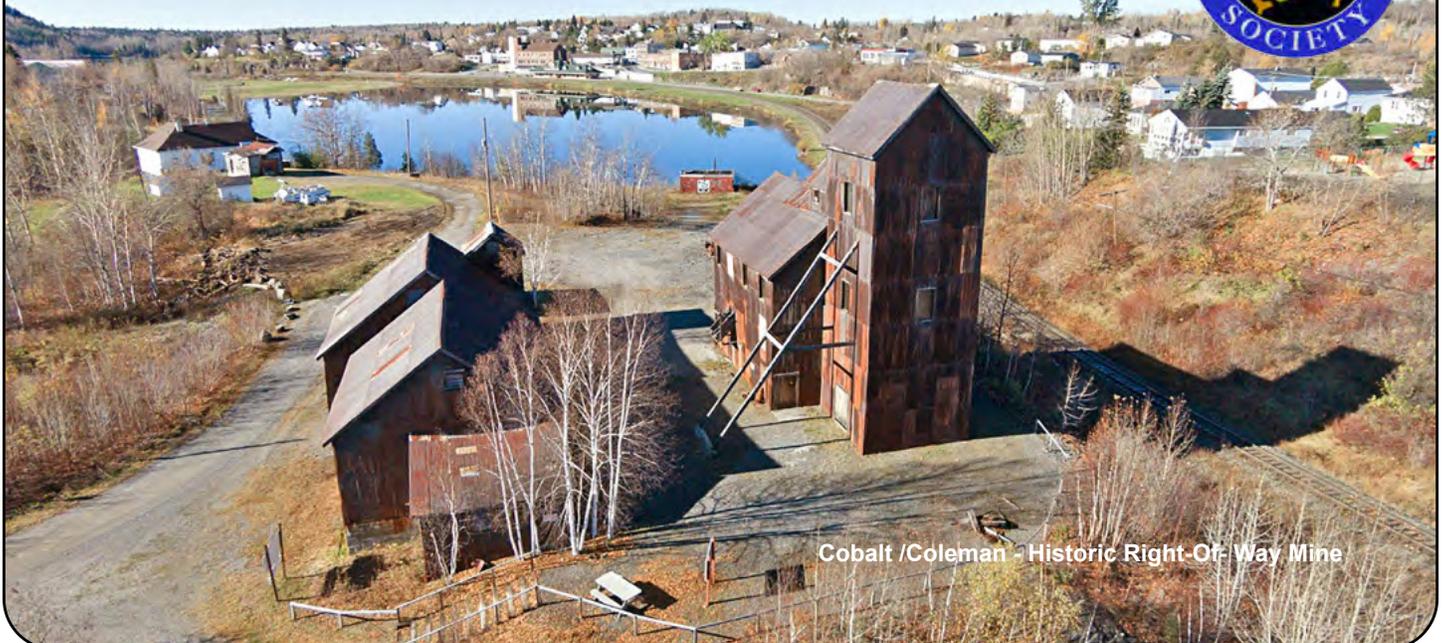
Cobalt's mining history is reflected in a few standing headframes and mill ruins. For 2021, the Larose Bridge will be closed for reconstruction. Begin your tour at Hwy 11B Coleman Rd. as shown on the map.

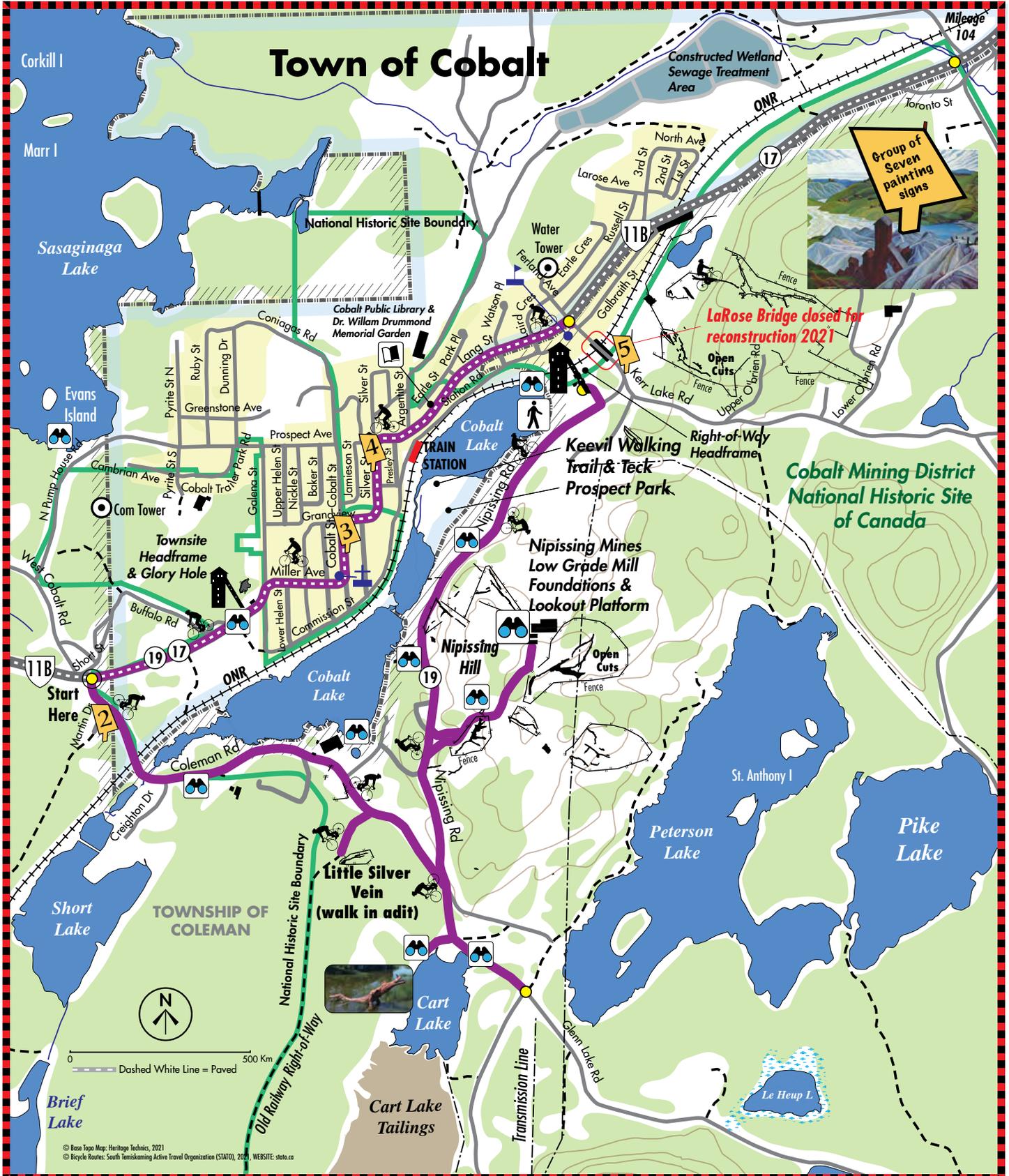
On your route, you will see the great Nipissing hill, panoramic views across the lake, deep rock cuts that followed the original silver veins discovered in 1903. You can also access Nipissing Hill lookout platform by walking to it.

Look for the lake monster at Cart Lake.

There is plenty more to see and do in Cobalt such as the Mining Museum. It has a special treat in its guided underground mining tour. Touch the walls that old miners made. Feel the cool temperature in the workings.

There is also a gem of a military museum called the Bunker.





# 21. New Liskeard / Thornloe via Uno Park

## OPTION 1

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 23.8 km (return) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre or New Liskeard Golf Course parking lot

Nice scenery and quiet roads. Follow the STATO trail north up to Drive-in Theatre Road, then turn left and carefully cross Highway 11 to Golf Course Road which will lead to River Road and under a 114-year-old railway bridge. Continue to Thornloe through Uno Park. This route cuts through agricultural land. Thornloe is a small village on the ONR line. Don't miss the side trip to the Thornloe Cheese Factory for a quick snack.

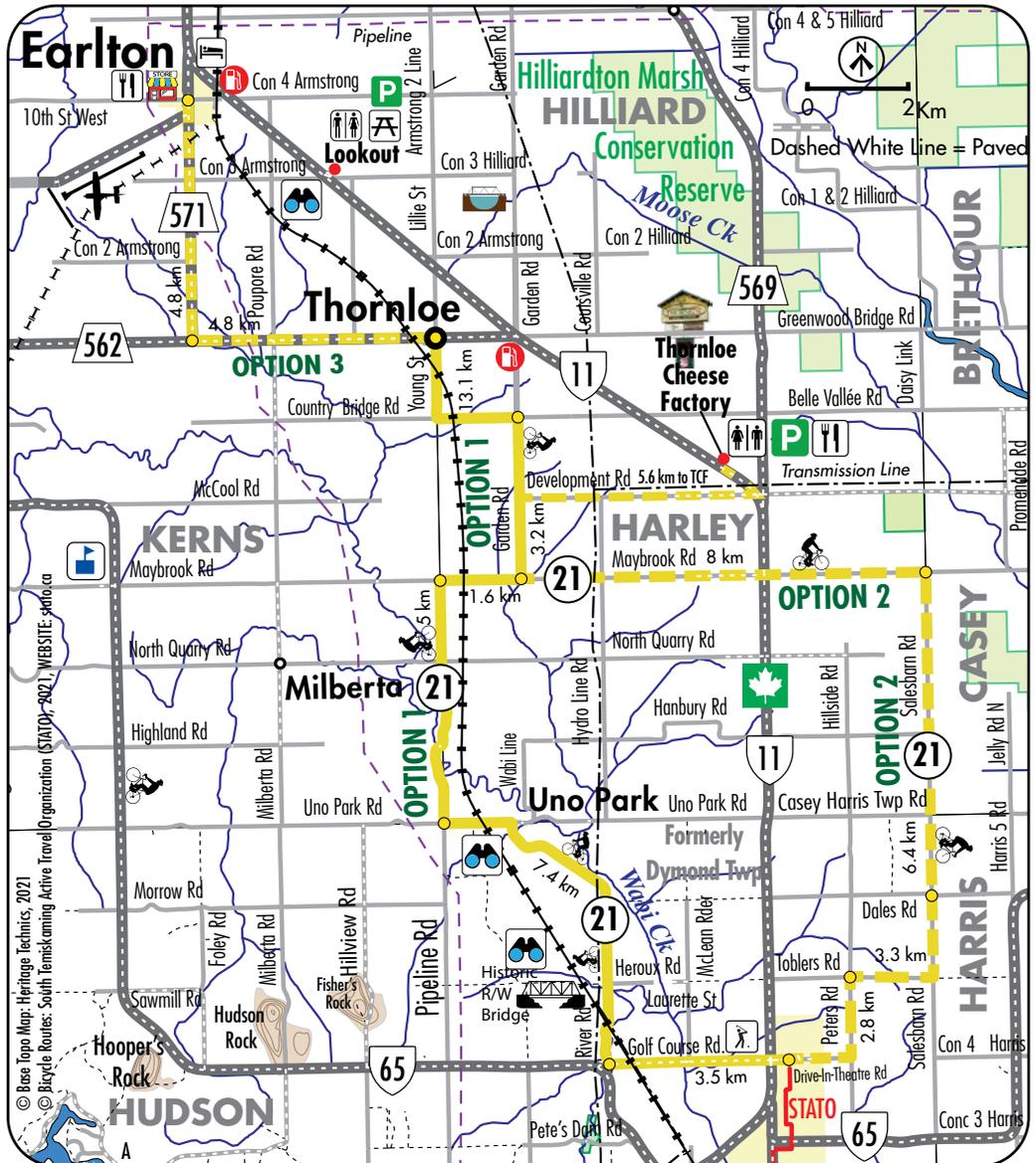
## OPTION 2

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 20.5 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Waterfront Pool and Fitness Centre or New Liskeard Golf Course parking lot

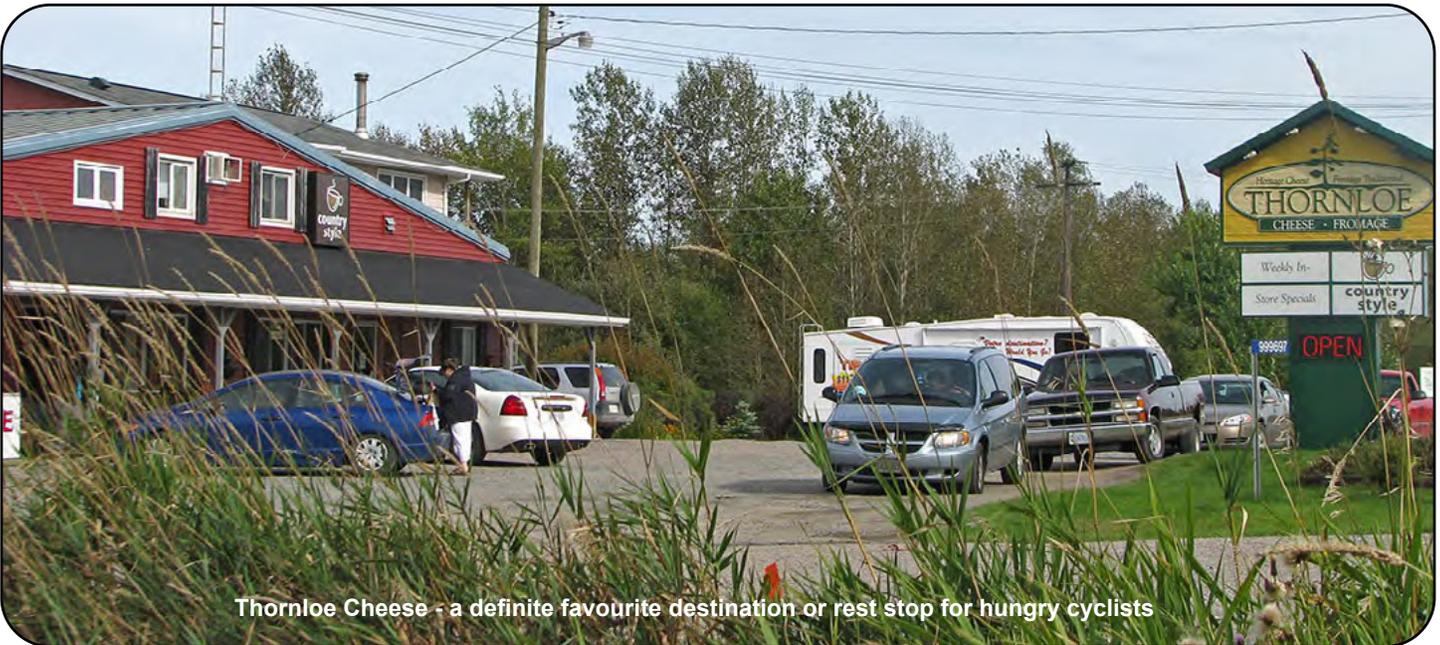
Rather than going straight into Thornloe, turn east onto Maybrook, carefully cross Highway 11 and come back via Sales Barn Road to Tobler Road and Peter's Road. You can try this clockwise and counter-clockwise for different views.

## OPTION 3

Nice side trip to Earlington for gourmet dining on the patio. Return to New Liskeard.



Historic Uno Park School (still standing)



Thornloe Cheese - a definite favourite destination or rest stop for hungry cyclists

### The Great Fire of 1922



*“On October 4, 1922, scattered bush fires which had been burning for some days north of Haileybury were united by strong winds into a holocaust which spread over most of 18 townships and took an estimated 43 lives. Burning out of control between the Englehart and Cobalt areas, it destroyed the communities of North Cobalt, Charlton, Thornloe and Heaslip, while Englehart and New Liskeard were partly consumed. The thriving town of Haileybury was razed except for a few buildings on the shore of Lake Timiskaming. On the night of October 5 the wind dropped and snow and rain helped extinguish the fire.*

*A massive emergency relief programme helped to restore the economy of the area.”*

*(text direct copy from monument)*



Janey's Junction Gas and General Store at Hwy 11 & Regional Rd. 562

# 22. Casey Mountain Countryside

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 37 km (loop) • **Surface:** gravel • **Start:** Zante's Bar & Grill parking lot  
**Suggestion:** ride clockwise • **Caution:** crossing Hwy 65 East twice

The trip to Casey Mountain takes you through agricultural lands and open space. Casey Mountain is still an active area of interest for mineral development companies. You can take

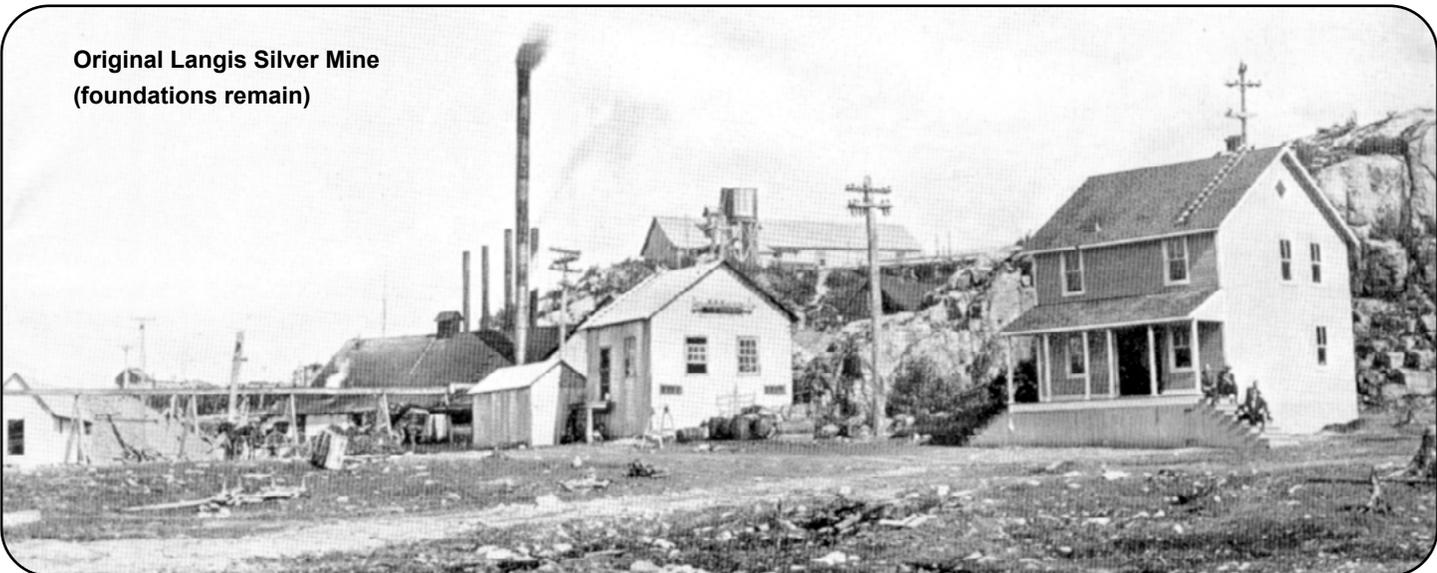
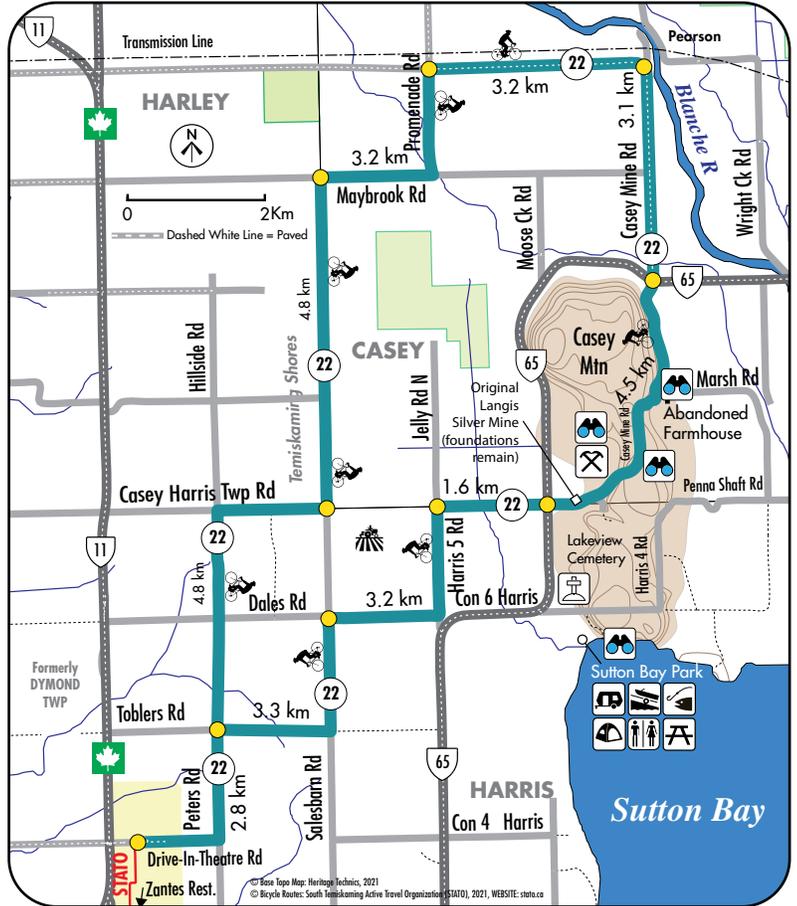
a panoramic picture from the top of an old Langis mine ruins. You will enjoy the twisting and hilly but quiet gravel roads on this route.



View from Langis Silver Mine Ruins



Lakeview Cemetery



Original Langis Silver Mine (foundations remain)

**Abandoned farmhouse at Casey Mine Road and Marsh Road**



**Blanche River from Ontario side looking at typical Quebec farmhouse**

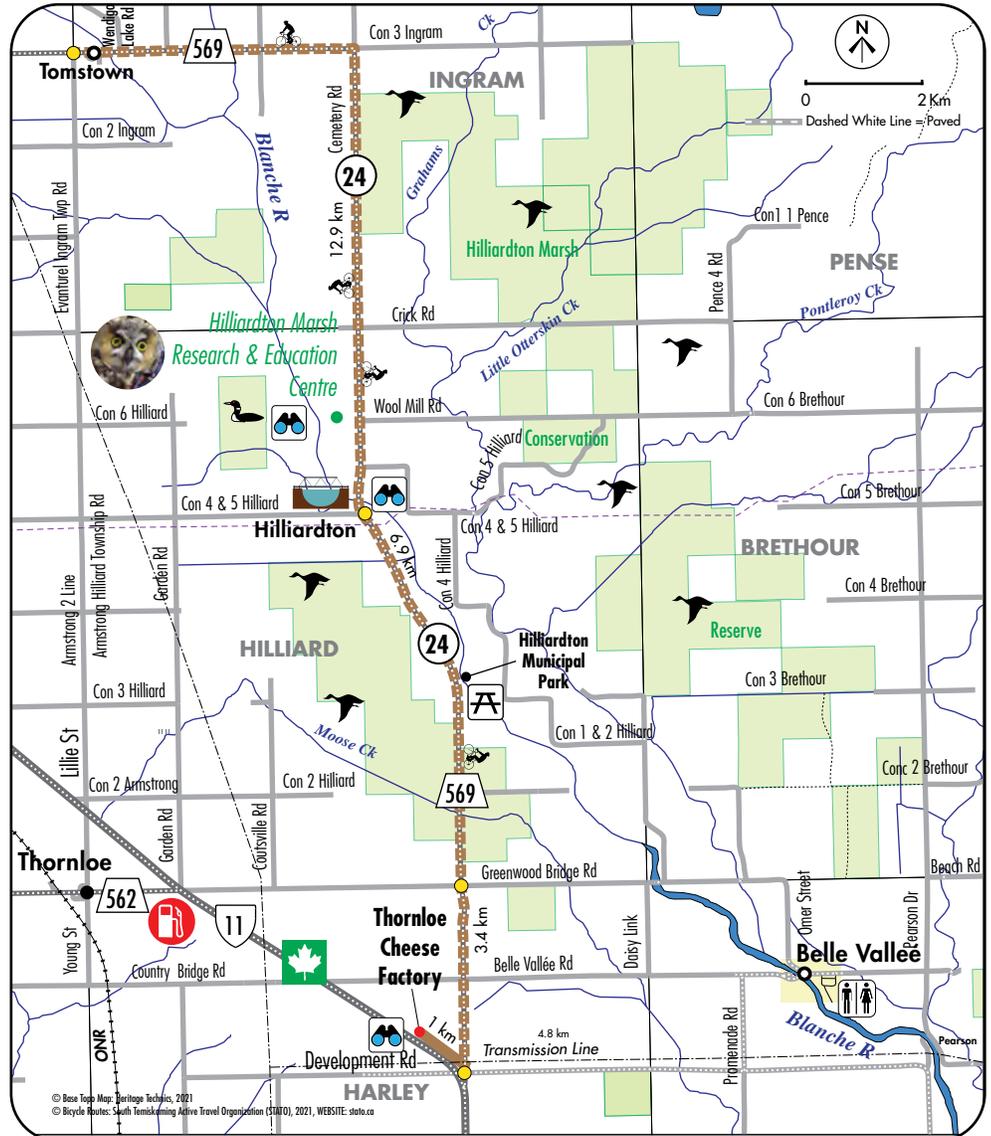


# 24. Hilliardton / Tomstown

Difficulty: easy • Distance: 24 km (1 way) • Surface: mix of paved & gravel • Start: Thornloe Cheese Factory

Route 24 option extends your ride up to Tomstown along Regional Rd. 569 – a quiet almost pastoral setting all the way. Hilliardton was once a pioneer village at the Blanche River. A steel bridge is at this point. You will see the river's clay colour that comes from the 'Claybelt' soil – hence the French name for white.

The Hilliardton Marsh Research & Education Centre is a destination in itself during the spring and summer.



The Hilliardton Marsh Research & Education Centre



Thornloe Cheese



Hilliardton Municipal Park on Hwy 569

# 25. Elk Lake to Matachewan

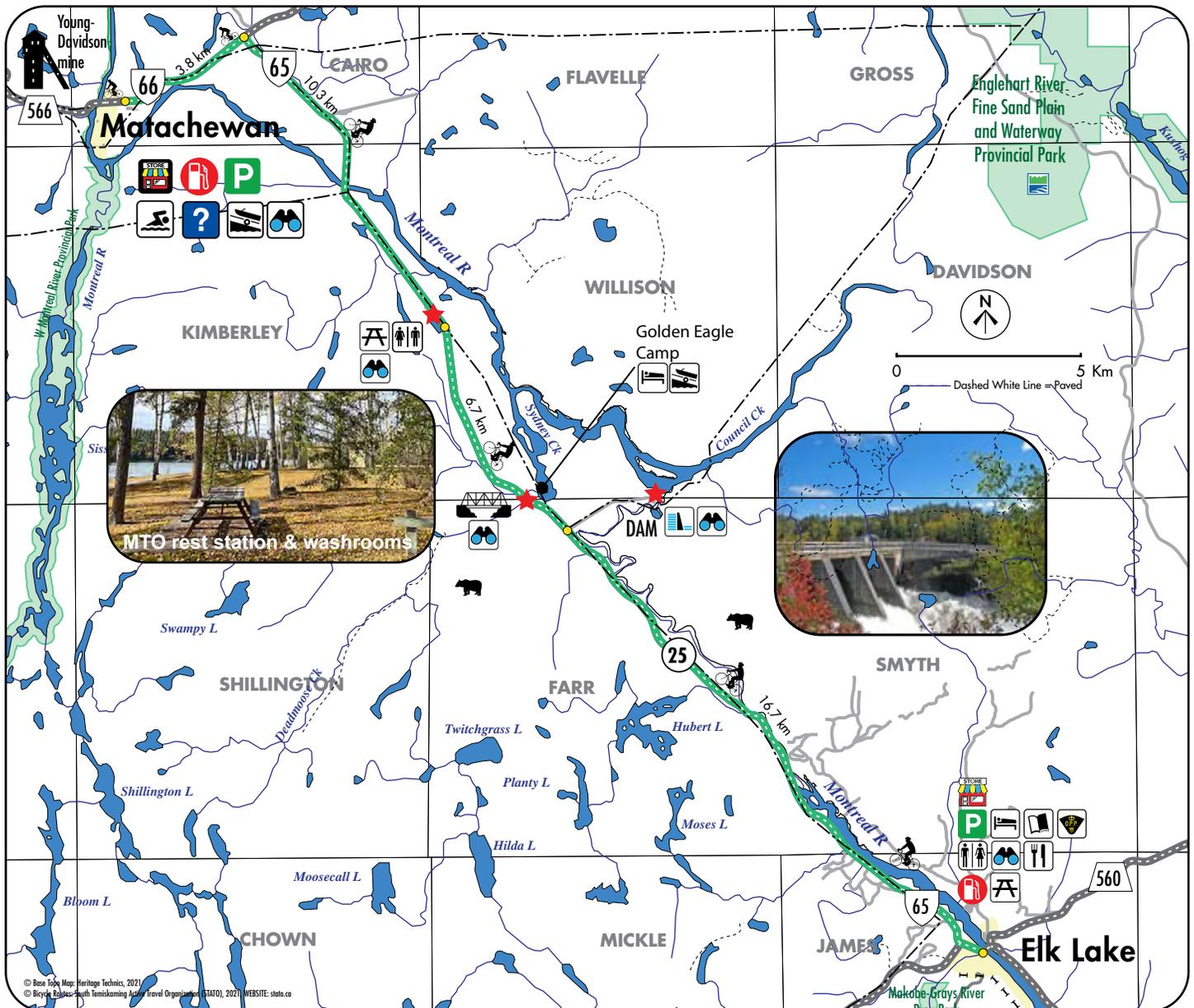
**Difficulty:** advanced • **Distance:** 37.4 km (1 way) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Elk Lake general store

This route really gets you out in the Boreal forest country and offers more of a remote feeling. Hwy 65 W is paved all the way with enough paved width to make this a navigable journey. Traffic is usually low. There will be some commuter traffic when the shift changes at the gold mine in Matachewan. A clean rest stop with washrooms is on the west side of the highway.

An optional side trip halfway along the route will take you to a major hydro dam on the Montreal River. It's worth seeing if you have the time.

Matachewan's origins were its strategic position on the Montreal River portage. You can cross the bridge and turn right and take a break at the water's edge where you can imagine the native canoe travel from thousands of years ago and up to the 19th century fur trade.

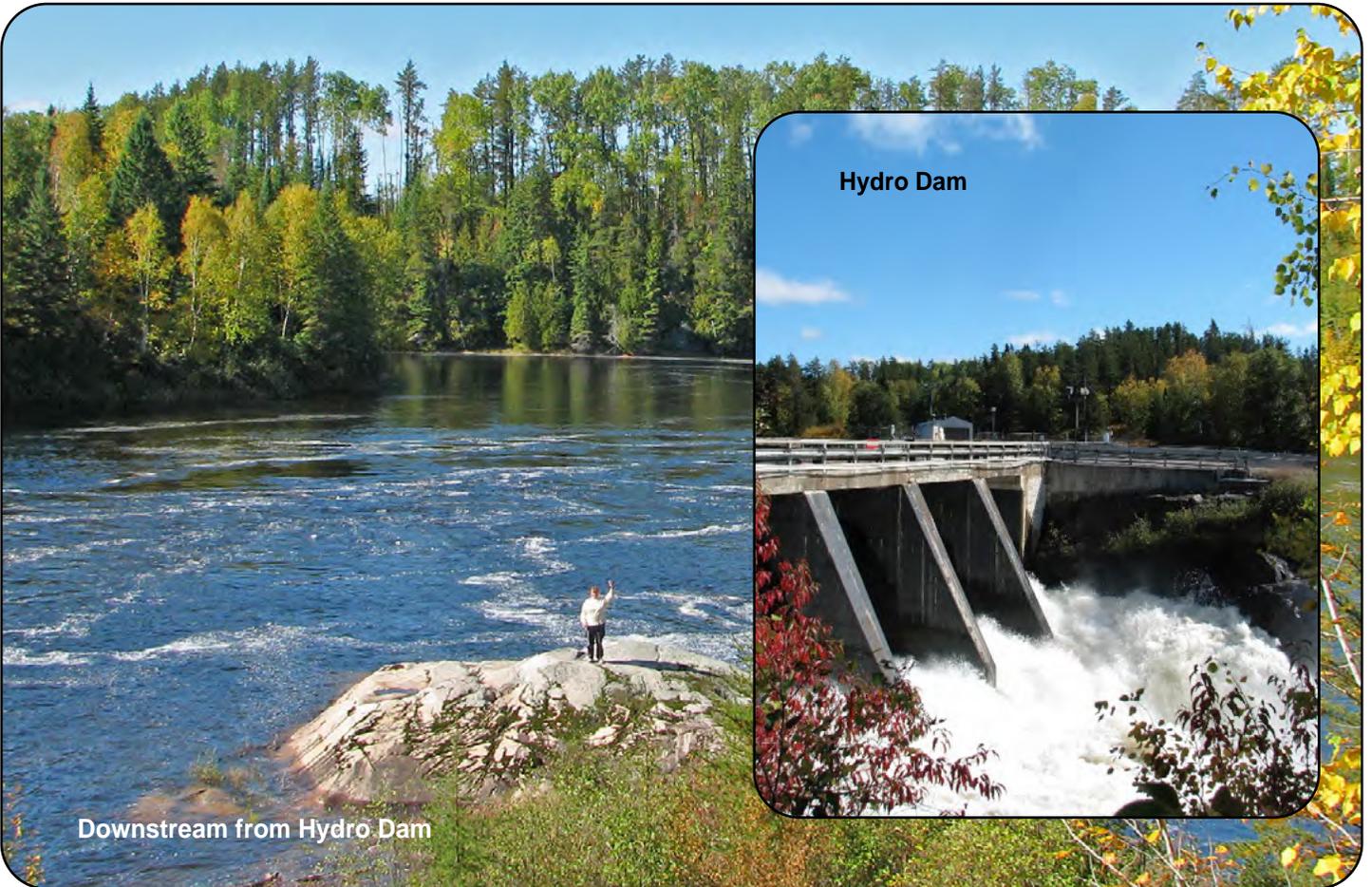
Continue past the bridge along Regional Rd. 566 and get a glimpse of the gold mine which is in full production. On the way back, take a photo at the small turn off to see the town. There is a waterfront park you can also visit and a well-stocked gas & general store in town.



Historic Wooden Bridge at Golden Eagle Camp



Golden Eagle Camp Office



Hydro Dam

Downstream from Hydro Dam

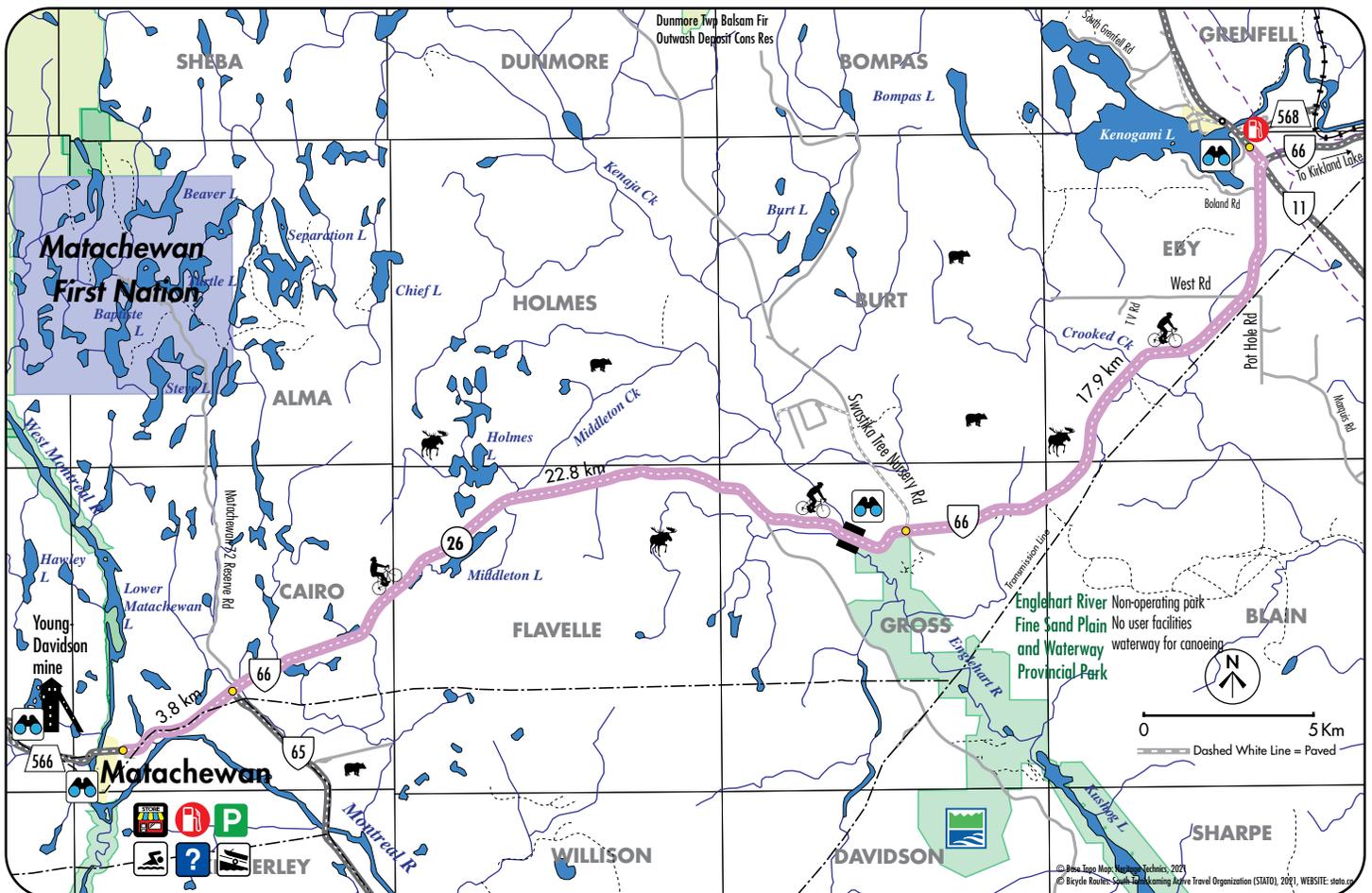
# 26. Matachewan to Kenogami

Difficulty: advanced • Distance: 44.5 km (1 way) • Elevation: 716 metres • Surface: paved • Start: general store / restaurant on corner of Hwy 11/66 in Kenogami or Matachewan



Some might say, Regional Rd. 66 is the loneliest highway in South Temiskaming because you can ride for long stretches without seeing any vehicles. Whether you start at Matachewan or Kenogami, the experience along the ride is the same.

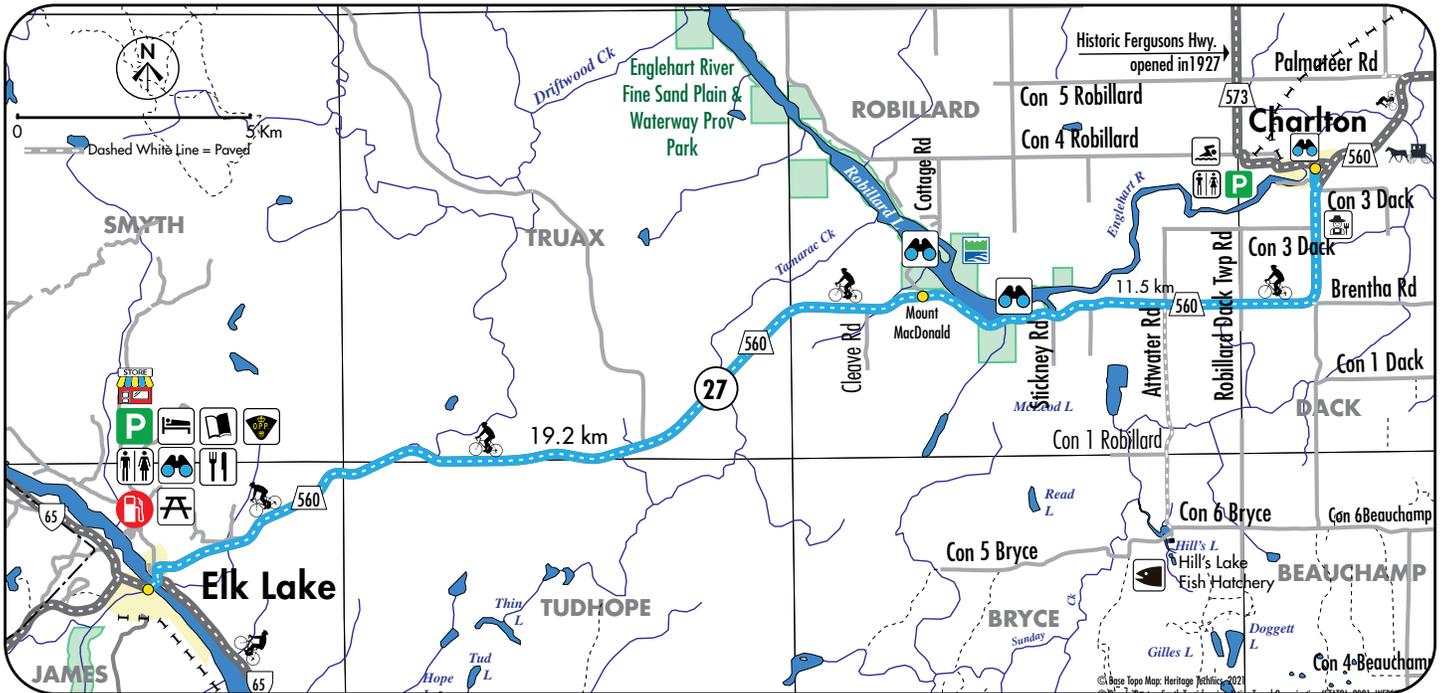
This road slices through pure Boreal forest. Midway you will intersect with the Englehart Fine Sand Plain & Waterway Provincial Park. There are no facilities within the park.



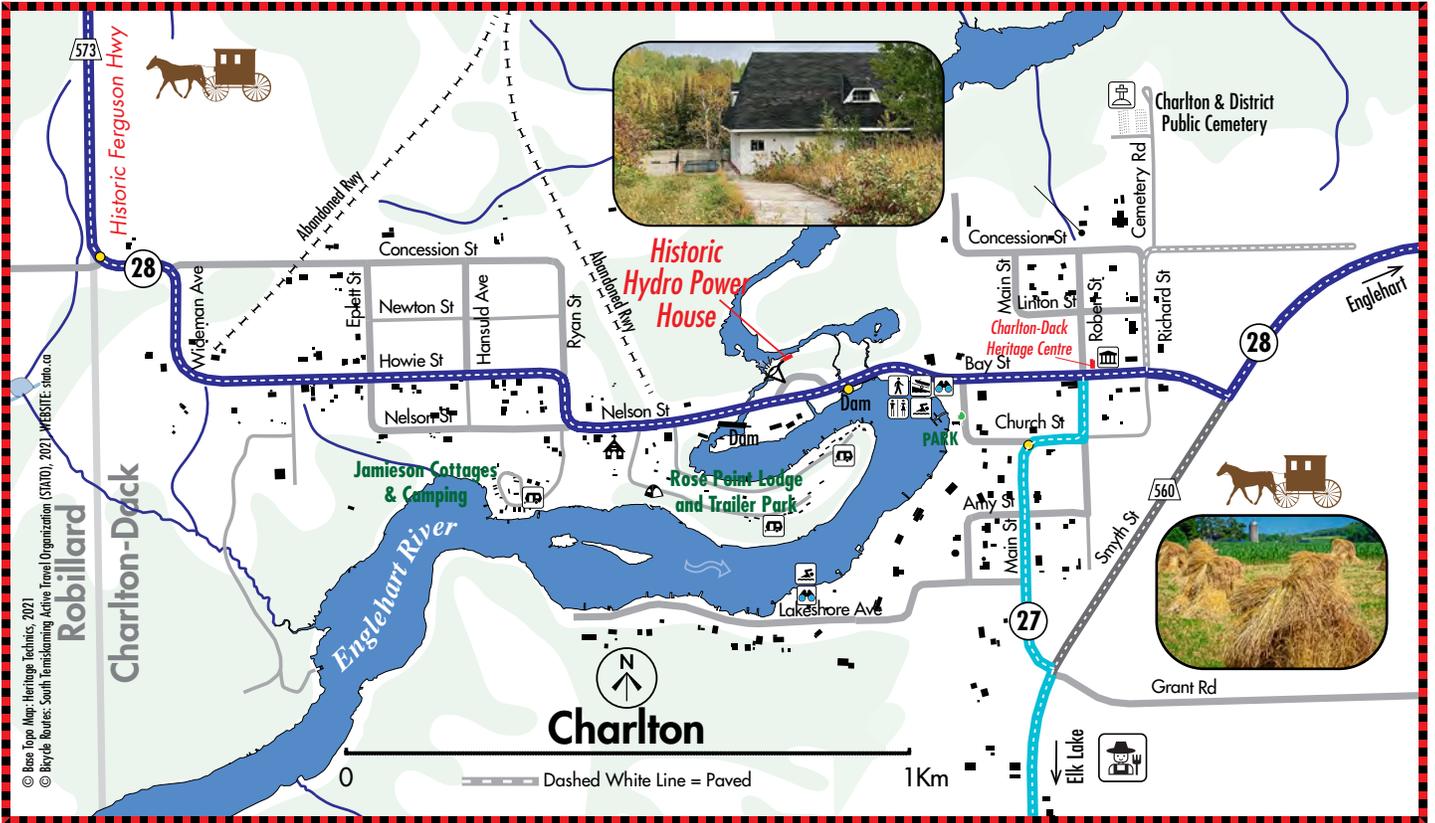
# 27. Elk Lake to Charlton (Hwy 560)

**Difficulty:** advanced • **Distance:** 30.7 km (1 way) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Elk Lake or Charlton

Charlton to Elk Lake via Hwy 560 is another Boreal forest highway. The ride can be very contemplative because of low traffic and the remote scenery. You may see some Amish horse and buggies on the road as you leave Charlton. Soon you will be riding along a stretch of the Englehart River. The rest of the ride will be through pleasant countryside.



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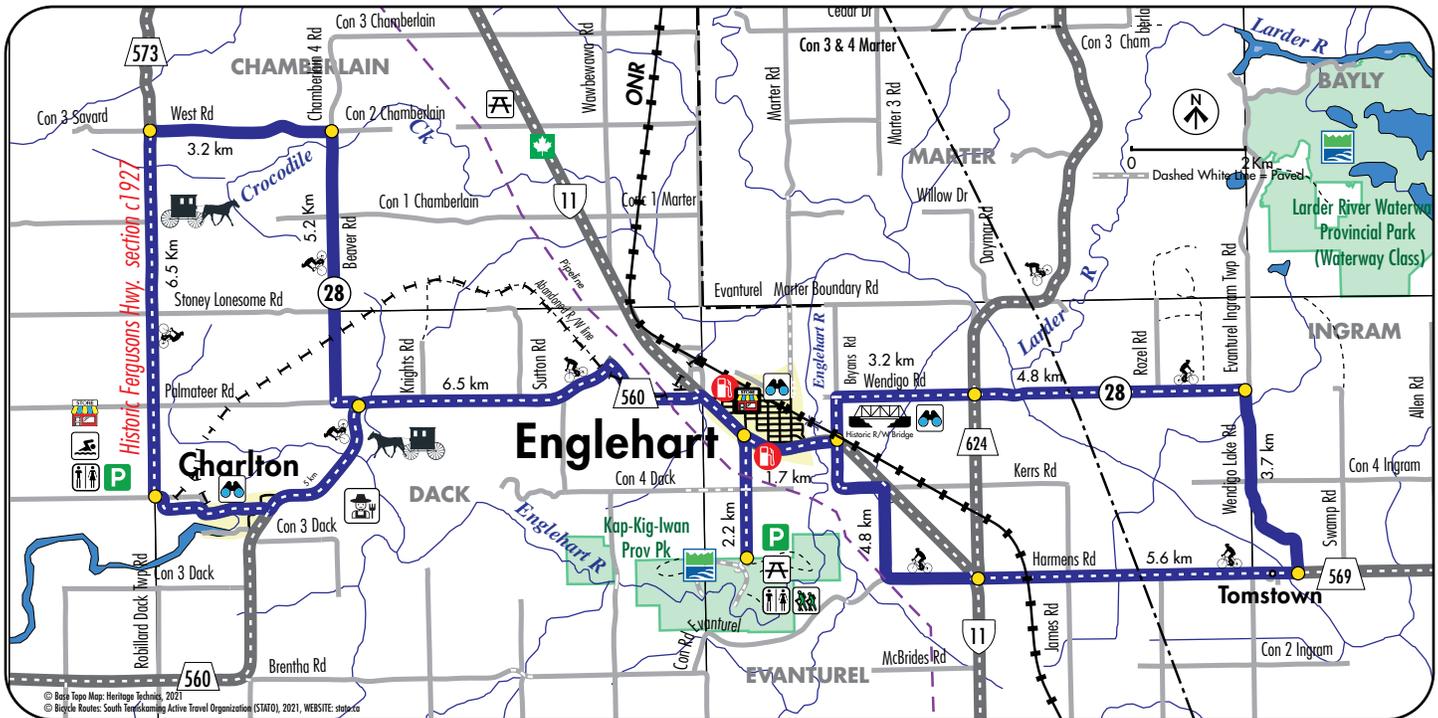


# 28. Charlton / Englehart Area

**Difficulty:** easy • **Distance:** 26.9 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Englehart or Charlton Water-front Park

Charlton is a charming small village on the Englehart River. The historic hydro dam is perched on a rock cliff. Viewing walkways guarantee great photos. The public park has a beach area and swimming facilities. You will encounter a steep incline on Hwy 560 a bit west of Englehart. After that the ride is pleasant on a level terrain.

The Englehart area has some very scenic landscapes such as the Englehart and Larder Rivers. The ONR railway bridge is over 100 years old. The wafer board plant dominates the town. Kap-Kig-Iwan Provincial Park is directly accessible from the town. It has gorgeous waterfalls, picnic areas, camping facilities and hiking trails.



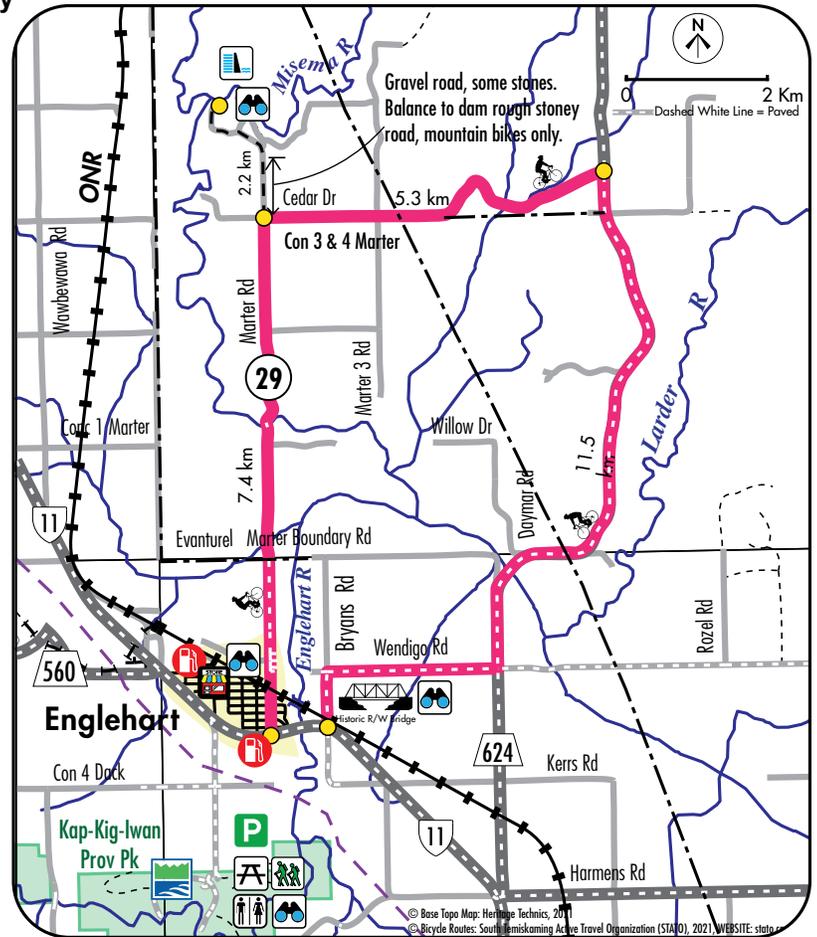
# 29. Englehart

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 28.6 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** Town of Englehart. Ride to the dam - for mountain biking only

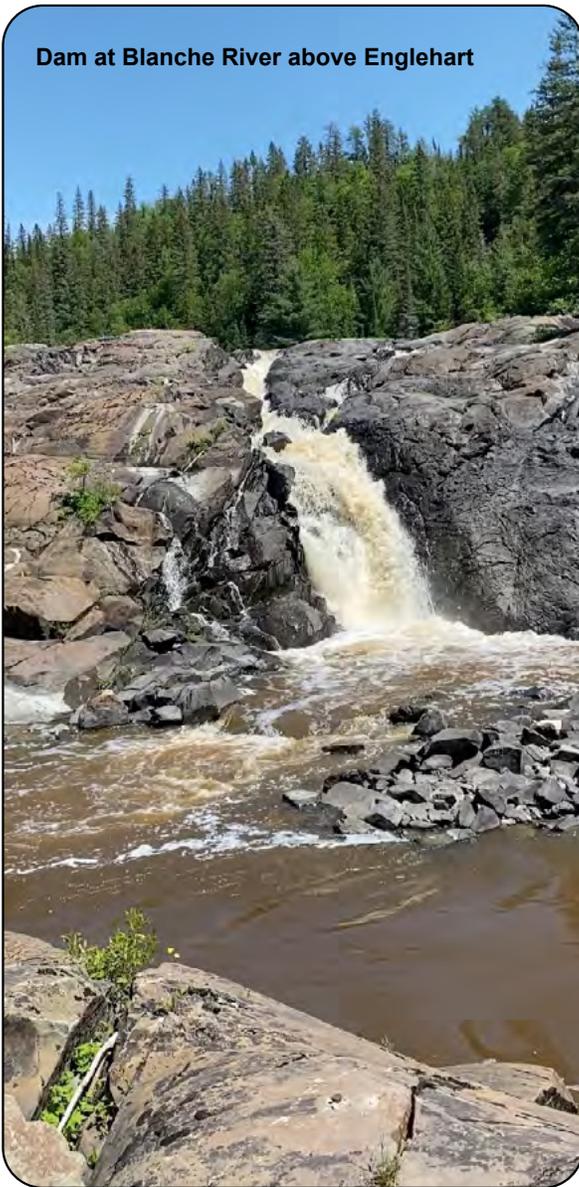
The area north of Englehart has a variety of landscapes with large forest tracks mixed in with agricultural fields.

Marter Rd. brings you straight north. Cedar Dr. is a gravel road with undulating hills. Residential houses are sprinkled along this section. Regional Rd. 624 is a paved smooth ride back to Englehart.

Riding to the dam offers a unique scene with cascading water over worn rocks. Getting there is a challenge since a section of road is rocky. If you have the stamina, it can be worth the effort. Picnic on the flat rocks.



Dam at Blanche River above Englehart



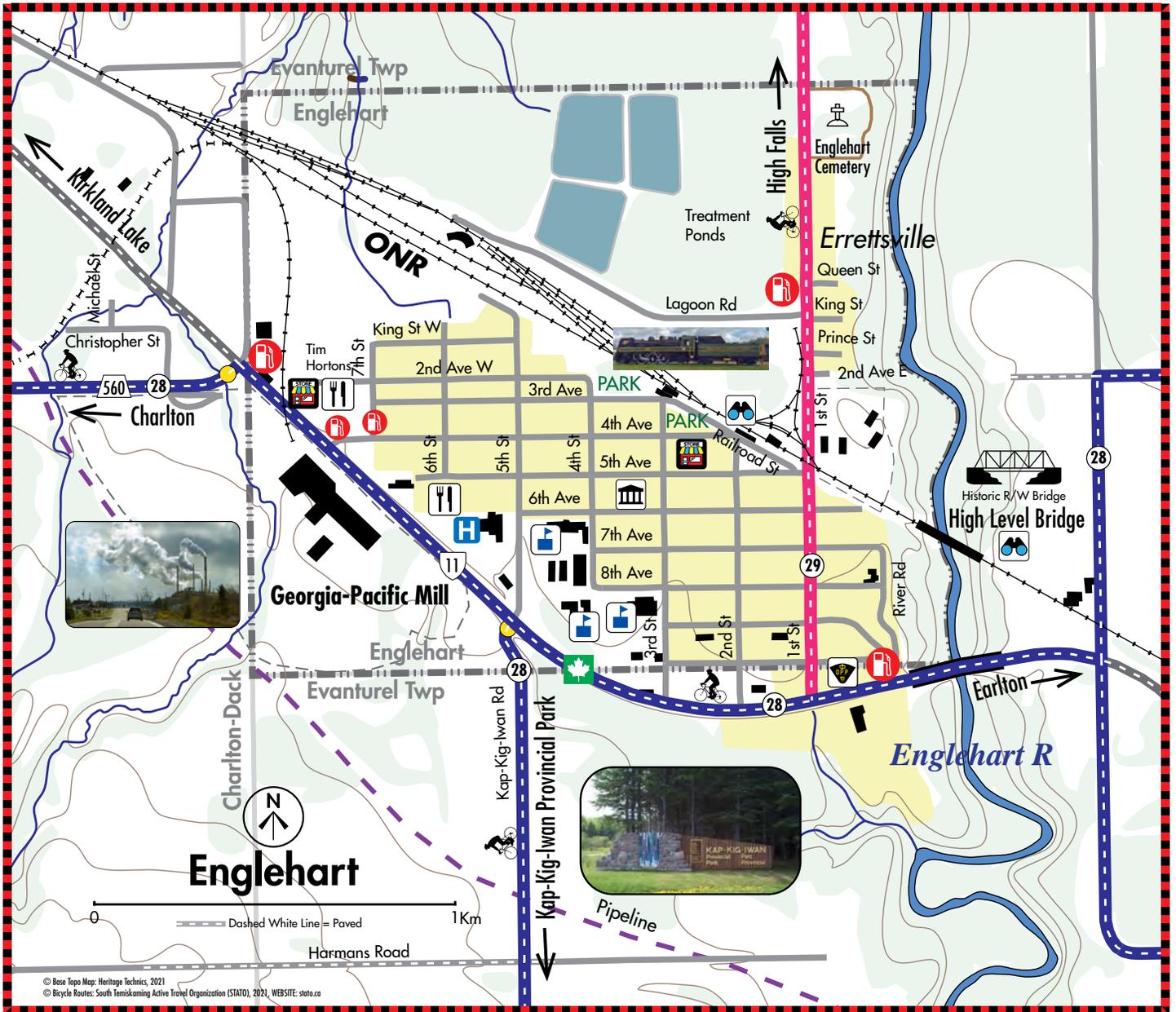
Pioneer farming in 1915, Englehart area  
Mr. A. W. Skinner cutting oats



Access to the dam



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# 30. Hwy 624 to Larder Lake

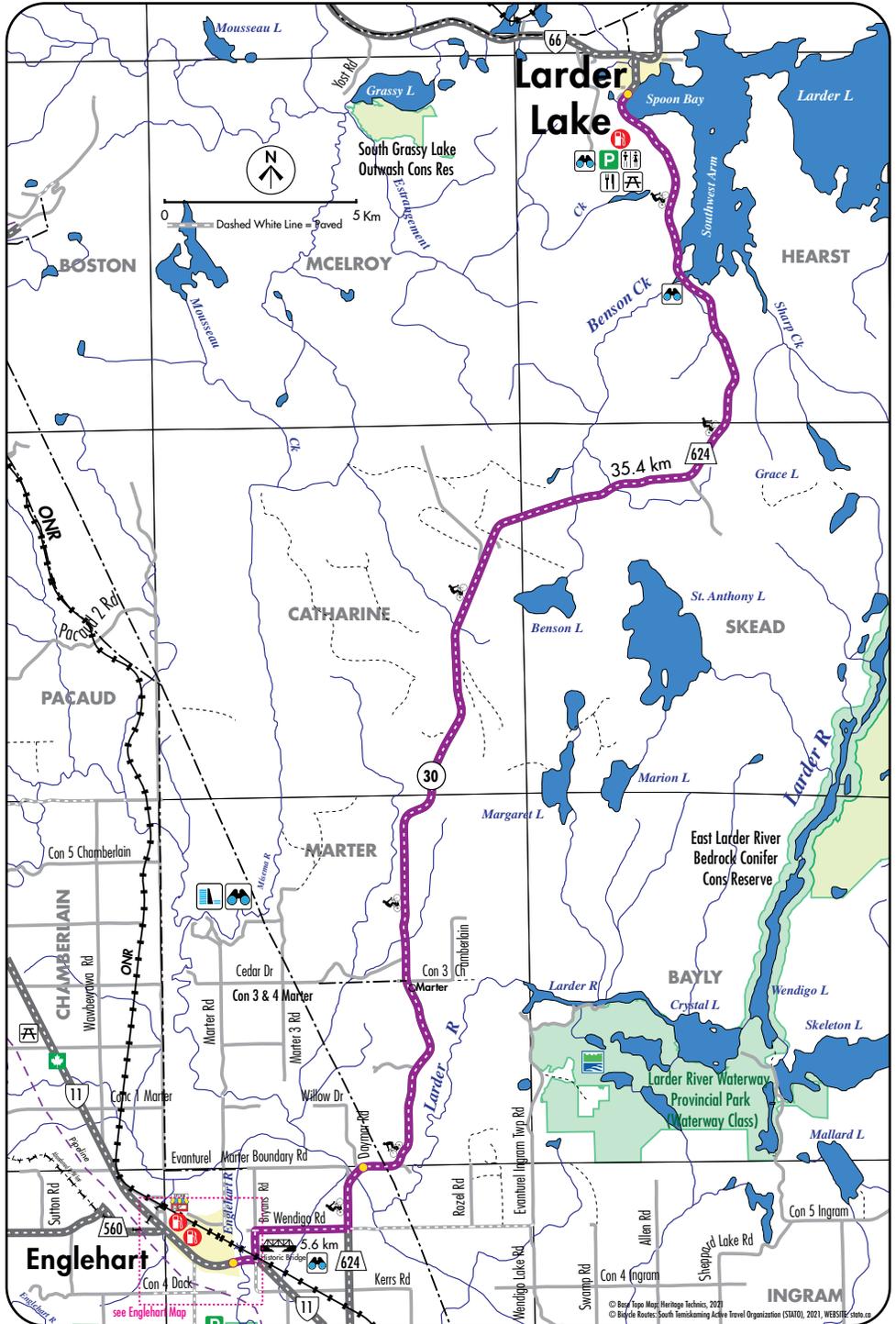
Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 41 km (1 way) • Surface: paved • Start: Town of Enghelart

Regional Rd. 624 is a smooth ride to the small mining town of Larder Lake. This ride would appeal to those who like long distance rides. Traffic is generally light.

Larder Lake sits on Spoon Bay and local food establishments promise good northern fare.



Pavillion at beach - Lakeshore Road



# 31 & 32. Notre-Dame-du-Nord

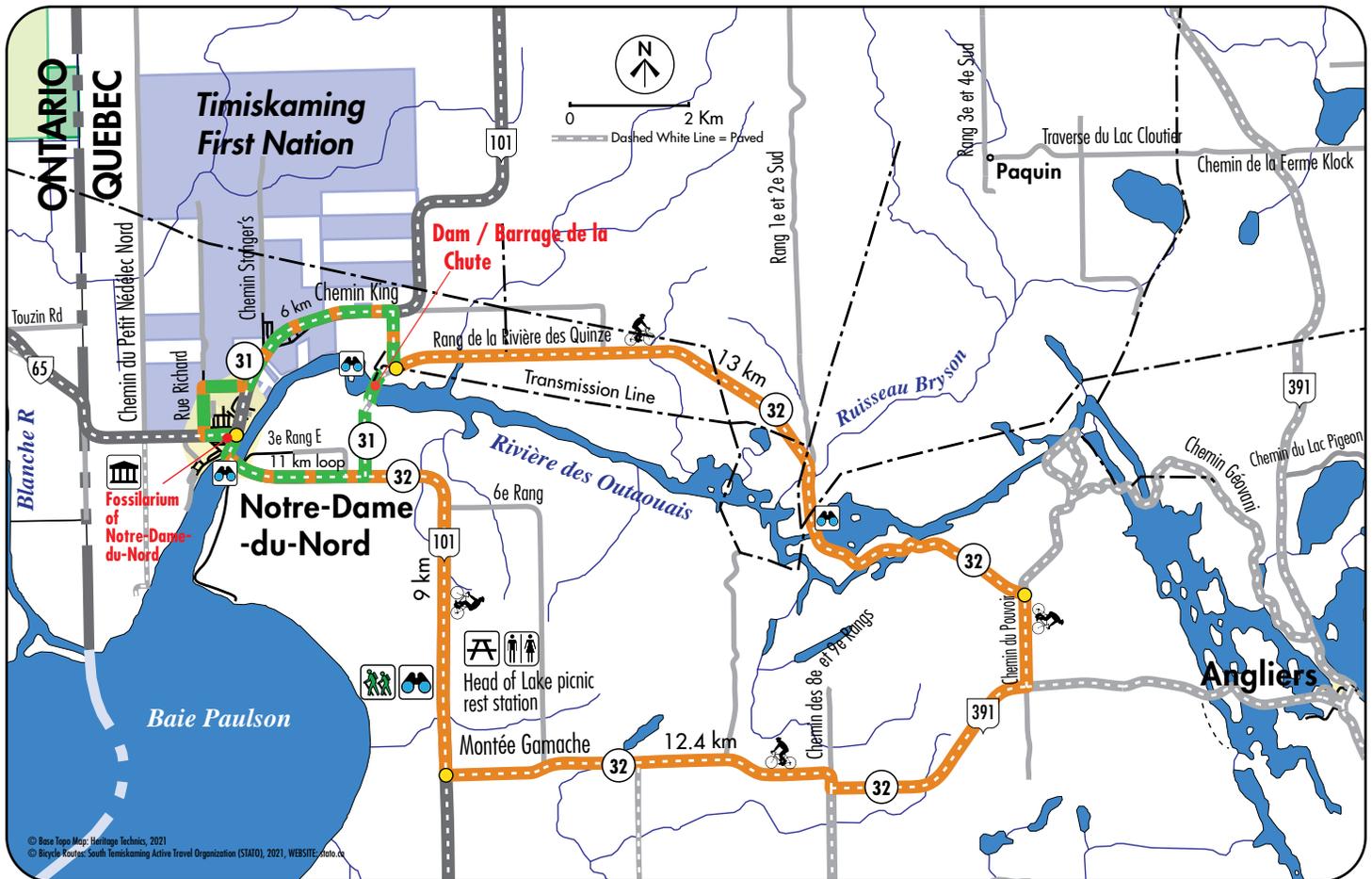
**Option A (31): Difficulty: easy • Distance: 15km (return) • Start: Fossilarium • Surface: paved**

**Option B (32): Difficulty: moderate (some hills) • Distance: 50km (loop) • Start: Fossilarium • Surface: paved**

If you want to avoid riding the big Hwy 101, just ride the paved roads within the Récré-Eaux des Quinzes system and come back the same way. Cross the huge dam for exciting river views.

The northern section winds past a scenic dam at the Riviere des Outaouais (Ottawa River). Riding the full loop requires riding on Hwy. 391 which is generally quiet as well as Hwy. 101 for 5 or 6km. For extra mileage, you could venture on the twisty beautiful ride into Angliers.

You will soon experience the French culture as a visitor to Quebec. The First Nation community is prominent. Visit the dock area for a scenic view of the lake. Another big hit is the local Poutine at the Roi de la Patate.



# 33. Angliers

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 22.2 km (loop) • **Surface:** mix of paved & gravel • **Start:** T. E. Draper Museum

Angliers boasts a well presented museum focusing on the lumbering trade. Their tug boat can even be toured inside.

Route 33 can be ridden in a loop from Angliers or a shorter trip to the smaller dam. Return the same way.

You can also leave Angliers by riding across the dam and on to the small hydro dam as shown.



The T. E. Draper Museum display at Angliers



Rivière des Quinze Dam



The T. E. Draper Museum interior display at Angliers

*"We have space to accommodate groups of up to a maximum of 50 visitors. We offer a specific formula for school groups, as well as for the family. Picnic tables are available outside the museum. A rest area is newly set up in the hangar to take a little break during your visit."*

*"Close to the museum there is a municipal amusement park with a covered shelter and bathrooms, as well as a municipal unserviced stopover for RVs and tents."*

## 33B. Témiscamingue Linear Park, The Mocassin Line

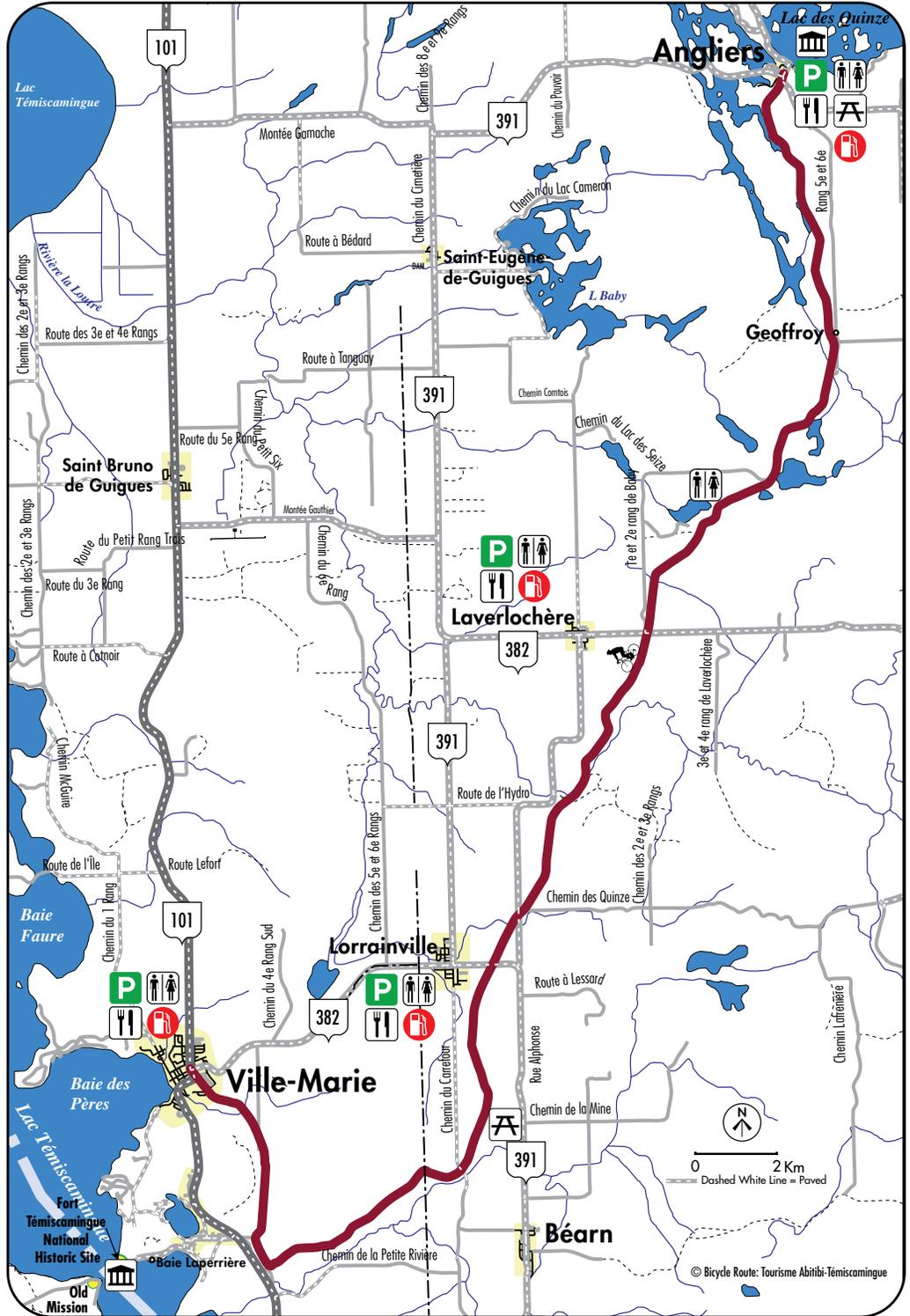
Difficulty: easy • Distance: 45km (one way) • Surface: stonedust • Start: Ville-Marie, Duhamel Ouest, Lorrainville Laverlochère or Angliers

The Mocassin Line cycling trail is truly a unique experience in north-west Quebec. It utilizes an old railway bed made of stone dust.

You will cycle through forests, pass farm lands, picnic shelters, rock outcrops and varied wildlife.

You can customize your ride by starting at Angliers, Laverlochère, Lorrainville and Ville-Marie.

The trail is very family friendly.



© Bicycle Route: Tourisme Abitibi-Témiscamingue

PLEASE consult details on the following website.

<https://accespleinair.org/cyclotourisme/pistes-cyclables-la-ligne-du-mocassin>



# 34. Hwy 101 – Quebec

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Distance:** 32 km (one way) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Notre-Dame-du-Nord • **Guigues to Ville-Marie**

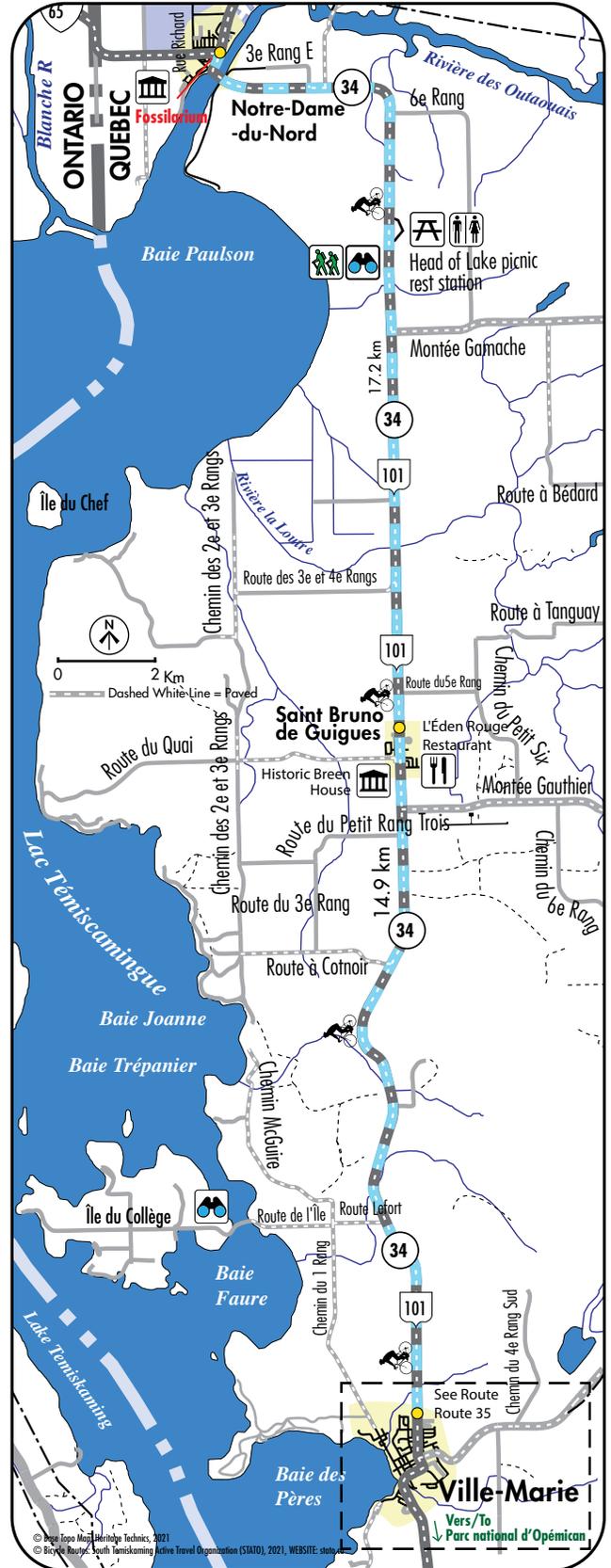
Notre-Dame-du-Nord is a unique village that sits adjacent to the Temiskaming First Nation reserve. A highlight is the Fossilarium Museum. It has amazing exhibits with interpretive content.

This ride will appeal to those who like to reach their long-distance skills. The highway has generous shoulders for the cyclist. There is occasional roughness on some sections of the road, south of Notre-Dame-du-Nord

There are other places to visit along the way, such as the 'Head of Lake' rest station just outside of Notre-Dame-du Nord, L'Éden Rouge in Saint Bruno de Guigues, as well as Île du Collège near Ville-Marie.

Ville-Marie, conveniently located on the shores of Lac Témiscamingue, near the border between Quebec and Ontario, is the oldest city in Abitibi-Témiscamingue.

A true architectural wonder of Ville-Marie, is Fort Témiscamingue which is a National Historic Site of Canada.



# 35. Ville Marie / Île du Collège / La Bannik

**Difficulty:** moderate (some hills) • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Provigo parking Lot

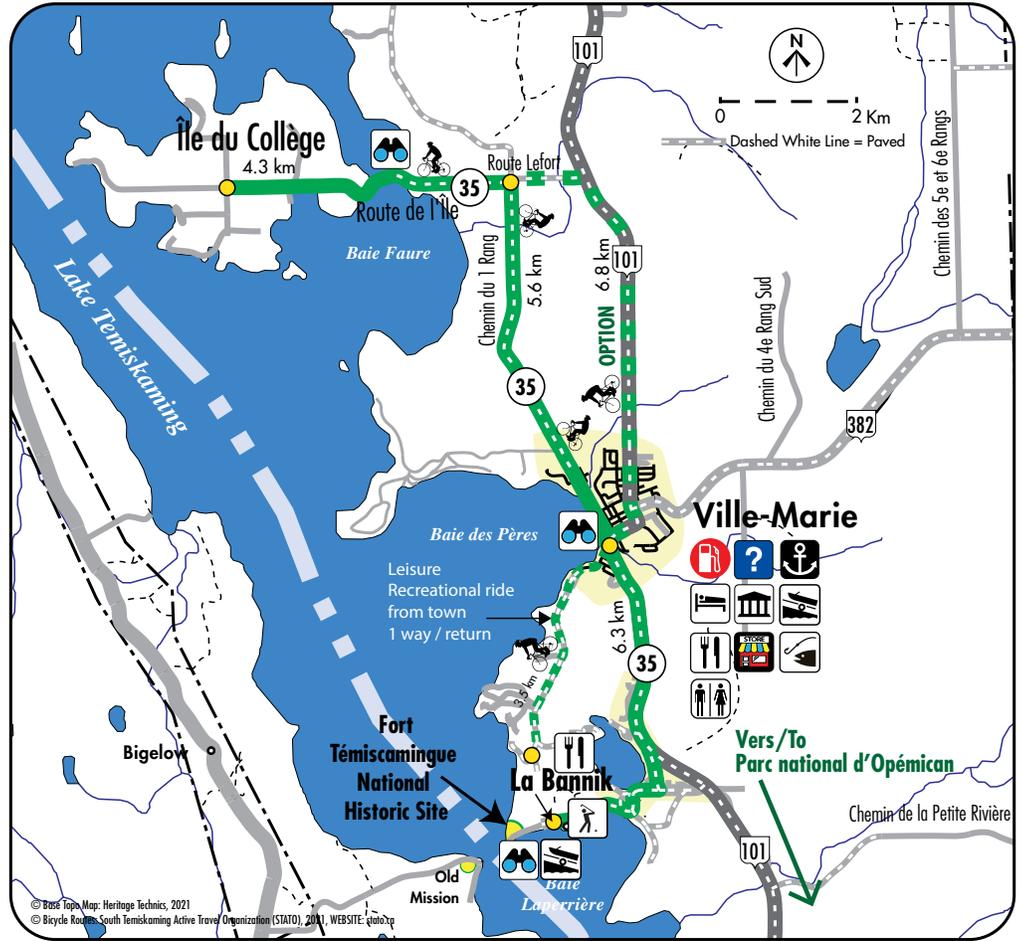
Another gorgeous ride on Île du Collège. You will see some vineyards and gorgeous almost European scenery.

There are plenty of hills on this route. You will have a nice wide cycle lane on Highway 101.

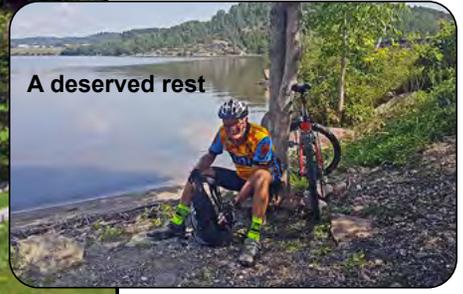
You can stop for a quick swim on Île du Collège or near Fort Témiscamingue or go for lunch at La Bannik.

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Fort Témiscamingue / Obadjiwan



A deserved rest



The famous La Bannik restaurant's patio

# 36. Témiscamingue

**Difficulty:** advanced • **Distance:** 38 km loop • **Surface:** paved • **Start:** Provigo parking lot, Ville-Marie • **Suggestion:** counterclockwise



Route 36 is a beautiful ride in Québec through small villages.

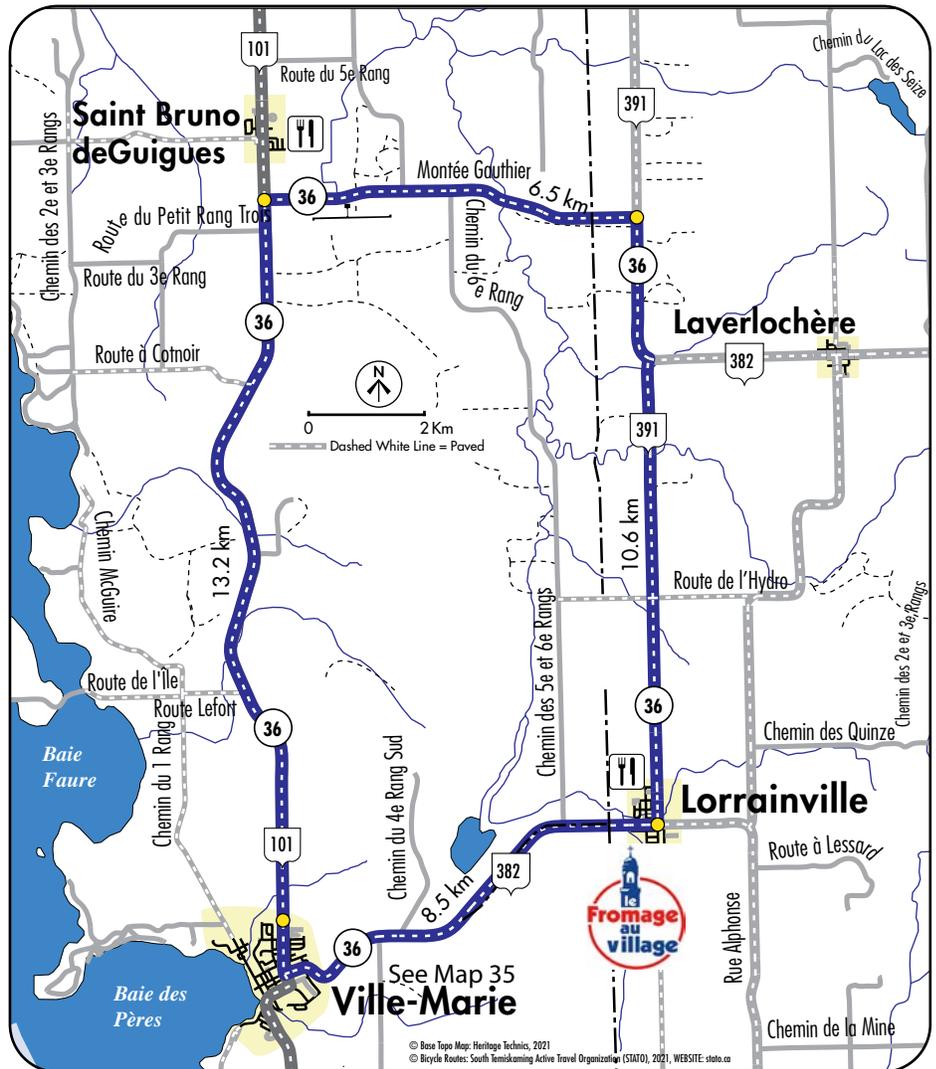
The first long hill just outside of Ville-Marie towards Lorrainville will sure warm up your muscles right from the start. You will share the road on usually quiet roads from there all the way back to Hwy 101.

A number of rolling hills through farmlands will be sure to give you a good ride. Once you get back to Highway 101, you will have a nice wide cycle lane all the way to Ville-Marie.



### Le Cru du Clocher

*"Our classic! A cheddar cheese made from raw milk and aged six months. The milk used comes from four neighbouring herds selected according to the feed given to cows and the milk's microbial quality"*



View at Montée Gauthier on Route 36



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