

# Getting Out # 1

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Getting around in any congested area poses problems for the bicyclist. Usually, the most direct routes are usurped by fast moving motorized traffic. The map on the opposite side of this sheet gives a variety of bicycle-tested routes for getting out of Bloomington into the more pleasant riding area of rural Monroe County. The other maps in this series will use the marked points (numbered boxes) as start and finish points.

The list below explains how to follow each suggested route and what to expect. Each route starts at the parking lot of the Monroe County Public Library at the corner of 6th and Lincoln (marked by the circled asterisk on the map). This is the traditional starting point of BEC Saturday and Sunday club rides. Everyone is welcome to come and ride with us (you have to sign a release, but there is no charge). Check with your local bike shop for current starting times for these rides.

**1. Headley** Go east on 6th to "T" into Indiana. Left (north) on Indiana one block. Right (east) on Seventh three blocks (to stop sign). Left (north) on Woodlawn two blocks (to traffic light). Right (east) on tenth to traffic light at Fee Lane. (CAUTION: heavy traffic on 10th). Left (north) on Fee Lane through two traffic lights. Continue north, east and north again on Matlock, which turns into Headley and then Hinkle before intersecting Bethel Lane. CAUTION: Steep downhill on Headley going down to the causeway across Griffy Reservoir. Watch out for cars parked on the shoulder during warm weather.

**2. IN 45** Go east on 6th to "T" into Indiana. Left (north) on Indiana one block. Right (east) on seventh through IU campus. Go around the auditorium and continue east across Jordan. Jog north a short distance on Union to continue east on 7th to "T" at Hillsdale. Left (north) on Hillsdale for two blocks to Eastgate. Right on Eastgate to the 46 bypass. Cross the bypass cautiously (heavy traffic) and jog north to bike path south of railroad. (The initial part of the bike path is gravel, but the rest is well paved -- you may have some problems with mud after heavy rains.) Left (north) at first intersection

(Pete Ellis Dr.). Right on IN 45. This road is smooth with decent shoulders, but has fast and sometimes heavy traffic. Avoid it during rush hours.

**3. Morningside** Follow route 2 to Pete Ellis Dr. Continue on bike path to its end. Follow Longridge and Morningside to Smith Rd. intersection. (Just keep to your left -- you can't miss it.) From this point you can go north to join route 2, south to join route 4, or continue east on Morningside.

**4. Moores Pike** Go east on 6th to second intersection. Right (south) on Dunn (one-way). Immediately after crossing 3rd, you must bear right to stay on Dunn. Continue to "T" at 2nd. Left (east) on 2nd for one block. Right (south) on Henderson to second stop sign. Left (east) on Maxwell Lane to end (cross High). At the end of Maxwell, find short concrete bike path. Continue south across Covenanter and onto Rechter. Take second right (south) on Winfield to "T" at Moores Pike. Left (east) on Moores Pike. You can take Smith Rd. north or south or continue east on Moores Pike to intersect IN 446.

**5. Snoddy** Follow route 4 to Winfield/Moores Pike intersection. Left (east) one block on Moores Pike to Sare Rd. Right (south) on Sare Rd to "T" at Rogers Rd. Left (east) on Rogers to intersection at top of steep hill. Right (south) on Snoddy.

**6. Allendale** Follow route 4 to Maxwell Lane. Left (east) on Maxwell four blocks to Woodlawn. Right (south) on Woodlawn to "T" at Hillside. Left (east) on Hillside for one block (watch for traffic). Right (south) on Huntington to "T". Left (east) on Miller for two blocks. Right (south) on Highland past the YMCA and the Winslow Sports Complex to "T" at Winslow Rd. CAUTION: heavy traffic on Winslow. Left (east) on Winslow for a short block to stop sign. Right (south) on Allendale (which ends at Walnut St. Pike).

**7. Henderson** Follow route 4 to Henderson. Continue south. Henderson become Walnut St. Pike at the point marked 7. This continues south to Fairfax Rd.

**8. Rogers St.** Follow route 4 south on Henderson to first stop sign past Maxwell (Grimes Lane). Right (west) on Grimes Lane (watch for traffic, bad RR crossings) to "T" at Rogers St. Left (south) on Rogers (BAD TRACKS). Rogers goes south through Clear Creek.

**9. Rockport** Follow route 8 to go south on Rogers. Take right fork (southwest) after RR crossing to get on Rockport Rd. Rockport continues south through Kirksville.

**10. Tapp** Follow route 8 to "T" at Grimes and Rogers. Right (north) on Rogers two blocks to Allen. Left (west) on Allen to "T" at IN 45. Left (southwest) on IN 45 (HEAVY TRAFFIC) for two blocks. Left (south) on Veimer Rd. to "T" at Tapp Rd. Right (west) on Tapp. Tapp ends at Leonard Springs Rd.

**11. Vernal Pike** East on 6th one block. Left (north) on Grant one block. Left (west) on 7th to "T" at Adams. Right (north) on Adams. turn left onto Vernal Pike immediately after railroad underpass. Cross BAD TRACKS to DANGEROUS INTERSECTION with 11th. Bear left (northwest) on Vernal to traffic light at IN 37. Cross 37, go down STEEP HILL, cross RR tracks. Bear left at fork to continue on Vernal Pike.

**12. Woodward** Follow route 11, but bear right after crossing tracks at IN 37.

**13. Kinser Pike** East on 6th one block. Left (north) on Grant 7 block to 12th. Left (west) on 12th to "T" at Walnut. Right (north) on Walnut to traffic light at 17th (HEAVY TRAFFIC). Left (west) on 17th to second light. Right (north) on Kinser Pike.

**14. Cascade Rd.** Follow route 13 to Walnut. Continue north across 17th on Walnut to next left. Cross divided highway to Cascade Rd. (north). Follow Cascade through underpass and continue north. This road eventually becomes Old IN 37.

**15. Dunn** Go east on 6th to "T" into Indiana. Left (north) on Indiana. Turn left onto Dunn immediately after the railroad underpass. Continue north on Dunn through two traffic lights (at 17th and 46 bypass) out of town. CAUTION: approximately one mile after the 46 bypass, Dunn goes down a VERY STEEP, counter-banked and often gravelly hill (this occurs at the dam for Griffy reservoir). This hill can be especially dangerous if there is oncoming traffic. Dunn ends at Old IN 37.

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