City of Prescott Bicycling & Hiking Opportunities Map

Easiest Bike Trails
Good trail surface with few obstacles and minimal elevation change

Intermediate Bike Trails
Irregular trail surface with some obstacles and elevation change

Difficult Bike Trails
Technical and rocky trail surface with obstacles and substantial elevation change

Hiking Only Trails
Trails that do not allow bicyclists

Granite Dells Scenic Trails
Trails with slickrock terrain most suited for hiking (or highly technical biking)

Bike Lanes
Striped lanes designate portion of roadway for bicycle travel, they carry one-way traffic, and are usually located on busy streets

Bike Routes
Bicyclists share the travel lane with motorists on these streets. Some routes are physically signed, while others are just the recommended route to avoid heavy traffic or hazardous conditions

Highlighted Rides- arrows show suggested direction of travel

2.8 m Mileage between Tick Marks

Trail Underpass

Prescott Circle Trail

Recommended Rides

Points of Interest

Parking Areas

Schools

Prescott National Forest

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Sponsors Legend

You can find our sponsors from the backside on the map below using this key

- Outdoor Gear Shops
- Bike Shops
- Food & Drink
- Other Sponsors

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DOWNTOWN

= Bike Rack

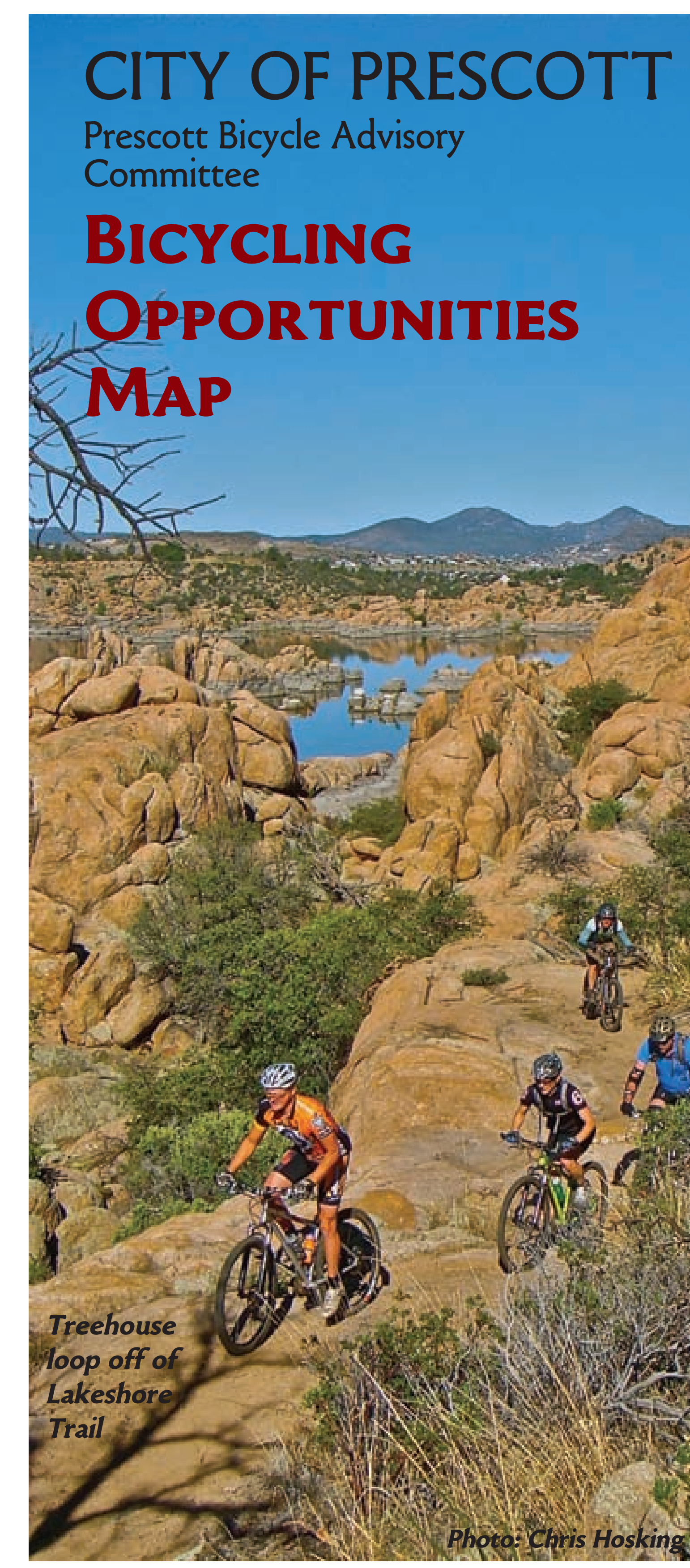
Sharlot Hall Museum
Parking Garage
Whiskey Row
Yavapai County Courthouse
Mile High Middle School
Post Office
City Hall
Library
Granite Creek
WILLIS ST
GURLEY ST
GOODWIN ST
PERKINS DR
CARLETON ST
MC CORMICK ST
GRANITE ST
CORTEZ ST
MARINA ST
MONTEZUMA ST

Granite Mountain Wilderness Area
Granite Mountain elev. 7060
Granite Mountain Wilderness No motorized or mechanized vehicles (NO BIKES)
Parking - Williamson Valley Rd
Granite Basin Recreation Area
Stringfield Spring
Cayuse Parking - Granite Basin
Parking - Forest Service 332
Parking - Granite Basin Rd
Parking- Granite Basin/Katahn Dr
Parking - Pioneer Park
Pioneer Park
Legacy Trail
Jean Alfano Trail
Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Heritage Park Zoo
Parking - Pioneer Park
Heritage Park Willow Lake
Willow Lake
Willow Lake Dog Park
W Willow Dells Trails
Granite Dells
Iron King Trail
4.0 m to Prescott Valley
Point of Rocks elev. 5140
Peavine Trail
1.8 m
Parking - Peavine Trail
Watson Lake Park
Watson Lake
Lakeshore Trails
Tree House Loop
Vista Trails
Watson Woods Riparian Preserve
Glassford Hill elev. 6160
Fireplace Spring
Willow Spring Girl Scout Camp
Thumb Butte Park Recreation Area
x Thumb Butte elev. 6440
Stricklin Park
Butte Creek Trail
Aspen Creek Trail
The Big Juniper
Rancho Vista Trail
Williams Peak (Porter Mtn) elev. 7058
Prescott Nature Center
Camp Pearlstein
Camp Tepeyac
Sierra Prieta Overlook elev. 6940
Wolverton Mtn elev. 6704
White Spar
White Spar Campground
Parking - Schoolhouse Gulch Trail
Schoolhouse Gulch Trail / 67
Goldwater Lakes
Goldwater Lake Park
Parking - Goldwater Lakes Trail
Mt. Francis elev. 7110 (radio towers)
to 260/48 trail junction
to Senator Hwy
Parking - Turley Trail
P-Mountain Badger Mountain elev. 6240
Turley Trail
Parking Lynx Lake Area Trails
Lynx Lake Area Inset Map
Lynx Creek Ruin
Highlands Center for Natural History
Lynx Lake
Prescott Gateway Mall
Frontier Village Shopping Center
Roughrider Park
Granite Creek Park
Prescott College
Ken Lindley Field Fann Skatepark
J.S. Acker Memorial Park
YMCA
VA Campus
Yavapai College
Stringfield Spring
Yavapai-Prescott Indian Reservation
Granite Creek
Willow Creek
Butte Creek
Aspen Creek
Lynx Creek
Willow Creek Rd
Williamson Valley Rd
Pioneer Pkwy
Commerce Dr
Willow Lake Rd
Smoketree Ln
Prescott Lakes Pkwy
Hwy 89
Hwy 89A
Old Hwy 89A
Hwy 69
Rosser St
Whipple St
Sheldon St
Gurley St
Prescott Heights Dr
Iron Springs Rd
Copper Basin Rd
Haisley Rd
Senator Hwy
Lee Blvd
Walker Rd
Butterfield Rd
Thumb Butte Rd
Dearing Park Rd
Granite Basin Rd
Katahn Dr
Prescott Valley

CITY OF PRESCOTT

Prescott Bicycle Advisory Committee

BICYCLING OPPORTUNITIES MAP



Treehouse loop off of Lakeshore Trail

Photo: Chris Hosking

SHARE THE ROAD!

Be polite and be smart. Show respect for **ALL** users of the road, and you'll get respect back. **Bikes and cars: same roads, same rules, same rights and responsibilities.**

- **Bicyclists are considered slow-moving traffic; they should act and be treated as such.**
- Motorists must allow at least 3 feet of clearance when passing a bicyclist. (ARS 28-735)
- If there are 5 or more vehicles lined up behind a bicyclist, and there is not sufficient space to pass the bicyclist, the bicyclists should pull to the side to allow the vehicles to pass. (ARS 28-704)
- Motorists shall not drive or park on paved shoulders or in striped bike lanes.

BICYCLING RESOURCES

Rides – Road and Mountain Bike
Prescott Cycling Club (PCC)
www.prescottcycling.org

Rides – Mountain Bike only
Raven Single Track
www.ravensingletrack.com

Advocacy – Government
Prescott Bicycle Advisory Committee (PBAC): A committee of Prescott City Council **(928) 777-1100**

Advocacy – Non-Governmental
Prescott Alternative Transportation
(928) 708-0911 • www.prescottbikeped.org

Local Trails – Detailed maps available
www.cityofprescott.net/services/parks/trails/

State Government
Bicycle/Pedestrian Program Coordinator
Arizona Department of Transportation
(602) 712-8141 • MSanders@azdot.gov

BICYCLING IN PRESCOTT
Tips and Laws for a Safe and Enjoyable Ride

PROTECT YOURSELF:
- Wear a helmet!
- At night, use a white headlight and at least a red rear reflector (ARS 28-817).

BE PREDICTABLE:
- Ride on the right-hand side of the road, with the flow of traffic (ARS 28-815). City of Prescott Code states no bicyclists shall use the sidewalks.
- Follow lane markings; go straight in a through lane, not a right turn only lane. Turn left from the left lane.
- Signal your intentions to change lanes or make a turn. (ARS 28-756)
- Ride in a straight line at least 4 feet away from parked cars; don't weave in and out between cars or other obstacles.

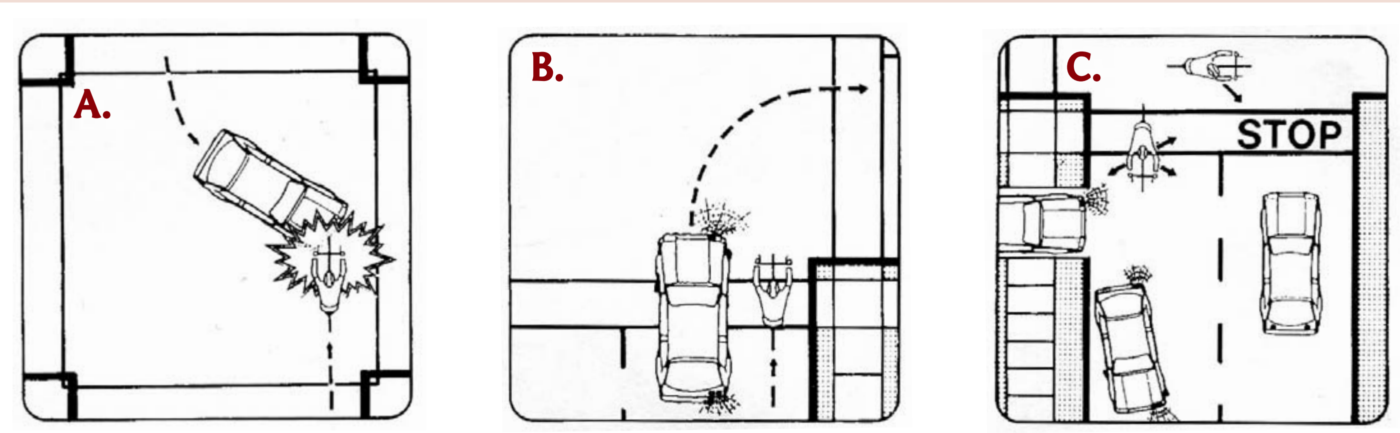
TAKE THE LANE (ride 1/3 to 1/2 of the way into the travel lane) **WHEN NECESSARY & APPROPRIATE:**
- If the lane is not wide enough for a car and a bicycle to travel safely side by side.
- If there are obstacles to avoid (including potholes or excessive debris).
- If passing another bicycle or other vehicle. (ARS 28-815)
- If traveling at the same speed as vehicles.
- When approaching intersections – to be more visible. Bicyclists may ride two abreast if they are not impeding the normal flow of traffic (if there is another travel lane that cars can use in order to pass, then

BIKERS BEWARE!
Most common causes of motorist/bicyclist crashes. Understand these situations and be a defensive cyclist.

A.) Left turning motorist hits bicyclist going straight: Watch cars at intersections carefully. Be visible and predictable; ride further out in the lane as you approach intersections. Be prepared to stop or make an emergency turn if necessary.

B.) Motorist turns right in front of bicyclist: Be alert for drivers speeding up then slowing down as they pass you. Do not pass cars on the right near intersections, as you will be in their blind spot. Look for motorists' turn signals, but do not rely on them.

C.) Motorist drives out from a driveway, alley, parking space or stop sign: Be visible and predictable; ensure your lane position is appropriate. Riding against traffic or on sidewalks increases the chances of this type of crash.



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This map was created by the volunteer efforts of the Prescott Bicycle Advisory Commitee (PBAC) in cooperation with the city government. The PBAC invites cyclists in the area to join the advisory council and work toward making Prescott a safe community for bike riders of all ages. To become involved with PBAC, or let the Prescott City Council know how much you enjoy having these facilities, please contact *citystaff@cityofprescott.net.*

This map has been produced to promote cycling as a safe and viable means of transportation and recreational pleasure for all ages. So go out and enjoy a scenic spin in Prescott, and please do stop in to enjoy the services of our sponsors who donated in support of this recreational resource. Features shown on the map include:

DESIGNATED BIKE ROUTES: Bike routes (in orange) have been designated on city streets and may or may not be indicated by bike route signs. Riders share the road with vehicles.

DESIGNATED BIKE LANES: Bike lanes (in purple) have been designated on our city streets with striping and bike symbols. These lanes help riders move safely on the community's busier streets.

TRAILS: Trails are rated by general difficulty as indicated in three colors on the map legend.

City of Prescott's Mile-High Trail System: Currently, Prescott's Mile-High Trail System is approximately 28 miles in length. Trails range from easy to difficult. All City of Prescott Trails feature the Mile-High Trail System logo on trail signs. Most trails are located within a narrow public corridor or easement. Please do not trespass onto the adjacent private land. For more information on the Mile-High Trail System, call the Parks Department at (928) 777-1560.

Prescott National Forest Trail System: Trails in the official approved trails network are shown on the map. Other "social trails" are not included, will not be signed, but may be visible on the ground.

~City of Prescott Trails~

1 PEAVINE NATIONAL RECREATION TRAIL
The Peavine Trail, running 5.1 miles in length, is the City of Prescott's premier trail, traversing the highly scenic Granite Dells region along Watson Lake. The trail was formerly the *Santa Fe, Prescott, and Phoenix Railway,* nicknamed the "Peavine" because its twisting curves resembled that of a pea vine. The railroad was utilized from 1893 to 1983, when flood damage ended its use.

The Peavine trail is open to all non-motorized trail users, and is popular with equestrians, bicyclists, runners, and walkers. This trail also features spur trails, a nature preserve, rest and picnic areas, lake access, rock formations, various educational interpretive signs, and various points of interest. The Peavine takes users into a remote and scenic setting, and also connects to the highly scenic four-mile Iron King Trail which terminates in Prescott Valley at the Glassford hill and Santa Fe Loop Road.

2 LOWER GRANITE CREEK DISCOVERY TRAIL
This one-mile trail begins at the boat ramp at the southern end of Watson Lake. It meanders through the scenic riparian area of the lake, crosses over Granite Creek on a bridge, then connects with the Peavine Trail. This trail is part of the Prescott Circle Trail (PCT), and is open to hikers, runners, horseback riders, and bicyclists.

Willow Lake Trail

3 WILLOW LAKE TRAIL
The Willow Lake Trail is 3.5 miles in length, and was made possible from the voter-approved purchase of Willow and Watson Lakes in 1998. The trail is popular with equestrians, bicyclists, runners, and walkers. The trail encircles 2/3's of Willow Lake while remaining above the high water mark. The trail features spur trails, rest areas, lake access, rock formations, and various points of interest.

4 GREENWAYS TRAILS (Via the scenic corridors of Miller Creek Trail and Granite Creek Trail)
The Greenways Trail System is a work in progress designed to be Prescott's "interior" recreation and transportation non-motorized trail system. It connects downtown, parks, neighborhoods, schools, businesses, and other points of interest, and is being made possible through the cooperation of many private property owners.

Greenways Trail Bridge

5 PIONEER PARK TRAIL SYSTEM
Over nine miles of trails are found in Pioneer Park in north Prescott. Sections of the trails within Pioneer Park are maintained by either the City of Prescott or by Yavapai County. The Yavapai County trails are color-coded on signs. Trails that are part of the larger Prescott Circle Trail (PCT) also feature the PCT logo on trail signs. These trails are much more technical for bicycles than others described above.

~Prescott National Forest Trails~

There are many options for trail loops in Granite Basin and Thumb Butte. For additional information on Prescott National Forest bicycling opportunities, please visit the downtown office at 344 S. Cortez or call (928) 443-8000.

6 GRANITE BASIN RECREATION AREA
4 mile loop: Low Elev. 5600/High Elev. 5920
This is a good easy/intermediate smooth singletrack loop which begins at Cayuse parking area. Trail 349 starts at the gate at the south end of the parking lot.

7 GRANITE BASIN-NORTHEAST ACCESS
10 mile loop: Low Elev. 5180/High Elev. 5780
This intermediate/advanced loop begins at the Williamson Valley Rd. parking area. Take Trail 347 behind the houses and up to a saddle. Go through the gate and continue up 347 to Trail 348. At this point, you can turn around and return on a quick, downhill singletrack ride, or for a more challenging loop, continue on 348 to the rocky and technical 352 to 345 Mint Wash Trail

Granite Basin Recreation Area

8 THUMB BUTTE RECREATION AREA
5 mile loop: Low Elev. 5700/High Elev. 6220
Starts at trail 316 from the Thumb Butte parking lot. It begins with a rocky, technical climb, continues into a rolling singletrack, a good scenic climb up Trail 392, a screaming downhill on Trail 326, and back to the parking lot.

9 GOLDWATER LAKES TRAIL 396
4.4 miles one-way: Low Elev. 5640/High Elev. 6160
Trail 396 is the newest trail designed for mountain biking with great views of Prescott and access to Goldwater Lake. This fun, flowing singletrack can be ridden as an out-and-back or looped together with other Forest Service trails.

Goldwater Lakes Trail 396

10 HOMESTEAD TRAIL 305
6.8 miles one-way: Low Elev. 5480/High Elev. 6040
This classic singletrack meanders through the pines parallel to Walker Road with steeper sections toward the end of the trail. This out-and-back ride is worth the climb. This ride can be extended by crossing Walker Road to Trail 297 (Smith Ravine) to Spruce Mtn. Rd.

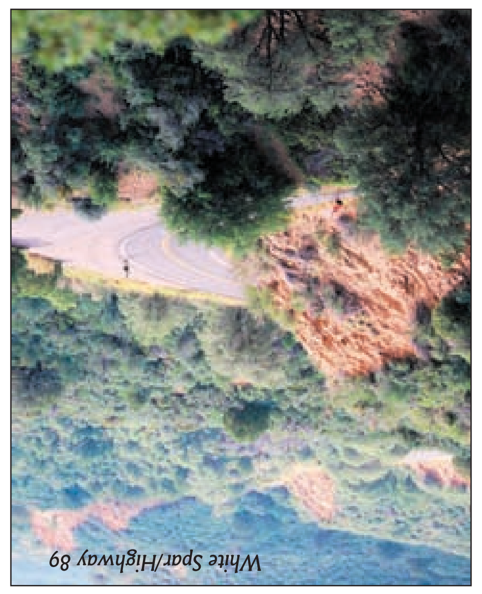
Homestead Trail 305

The Circle Trail is a 50 mile non-motorized trail system that encompasses the City of Prescott. Currently 35 miles have been completed.

Advanced Highway Road Bicycling

11 WHITE SPAR ROAD RIDE
Favorite ride with roadies, go as far as you want on the scenic twisties of White Spar/89 south, which goes 16 miles to Wilhoit.

FOR A LONGER RIDE: Continue around the Kirkland-Skull Valley loop, 55 miles, with a long 2000' climb back on Iron Springs Road.



White Spar/Highway 89

12 PIONEER PARKWAY RIDE
A moderate out-and-back ride with a wide shoulder. Riders can follow the parkway from Williamson Valley Road, continue along 89A and then out Fain Road to Highway 69. Approximately 35 miles round trip.

DISCLAIMER This map was prepared only as a convenience to bicyclists. It does not in any way warrant the safety of the streets and bicycle facilities indicated on this map for use by bicyclists. There is no guarantee of the accuracy of the information and the sponsors assume no liability for injuries arising out of use of this map or reliance on the information contained within. A bicyclist should use these routes only if he or she has the adequate skill level as a bicyclist, and that determination is to be made by the bicyclist. Bicyclists assume the risk to their own safety when using this map.

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