



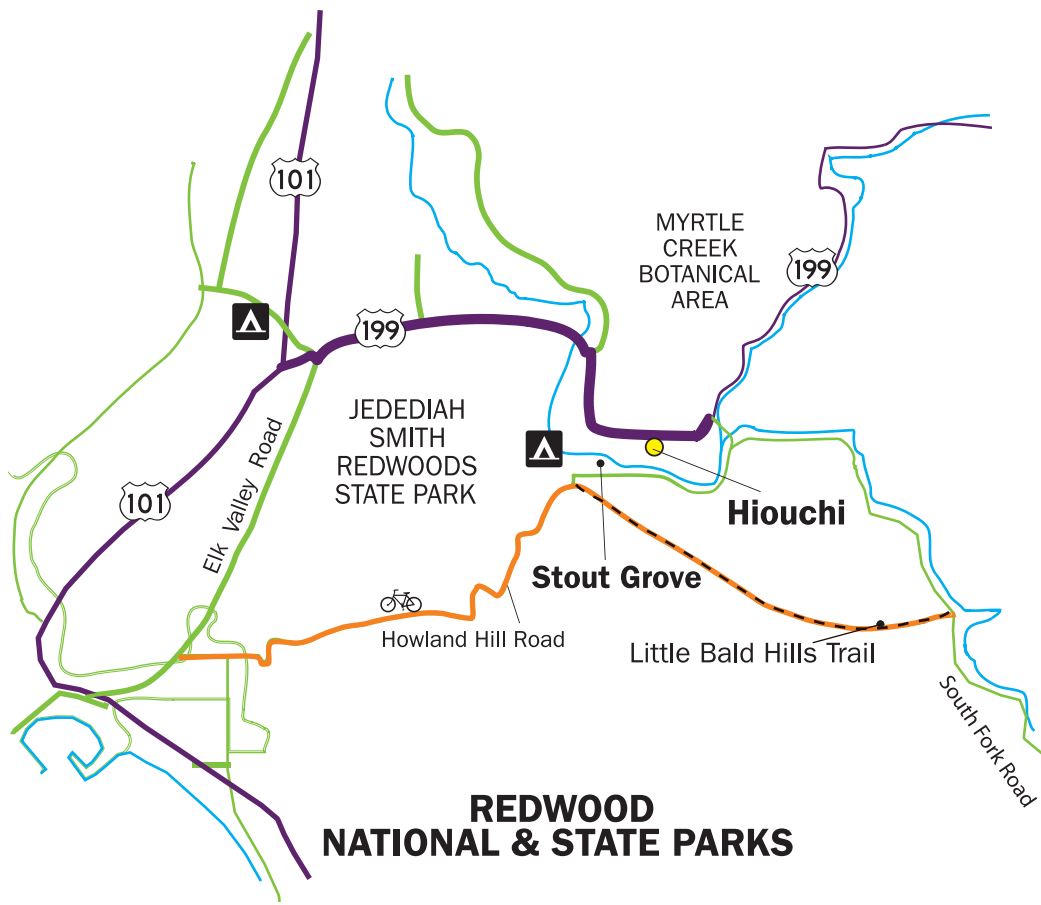
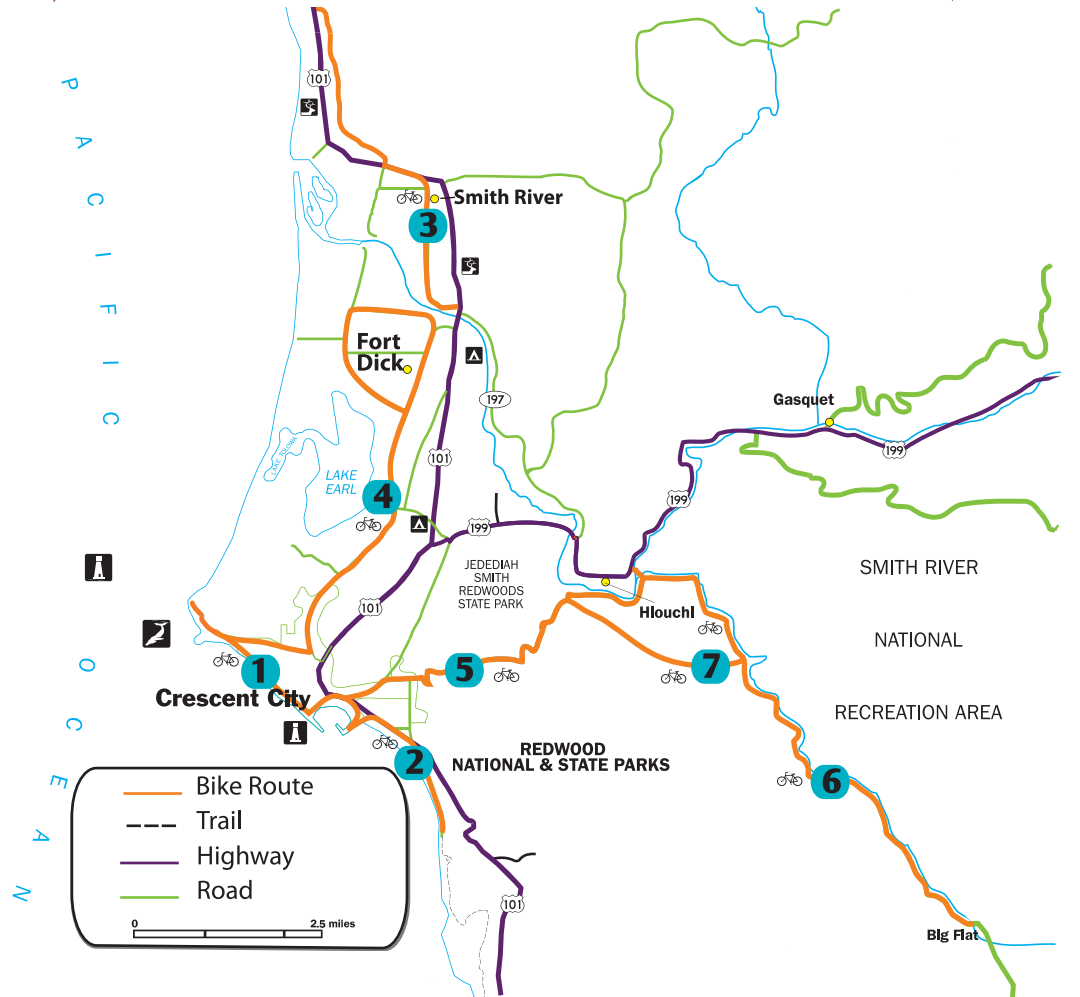
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The cyclist's map guide to exploring Del Norte County, CA

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REDWOOD NATIONAL & STATE PARKS

7 Little Bald Hills

Trail Info

Bike Types: Trail
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 10 miles
Trail Difficulty: Steep
Cautions: Best to travel with a partner due to remoteness and rare bear and cougar sightings.
Road Type: Dirt
Family Friendly: No
Special Notes: Take water, no cell coverage

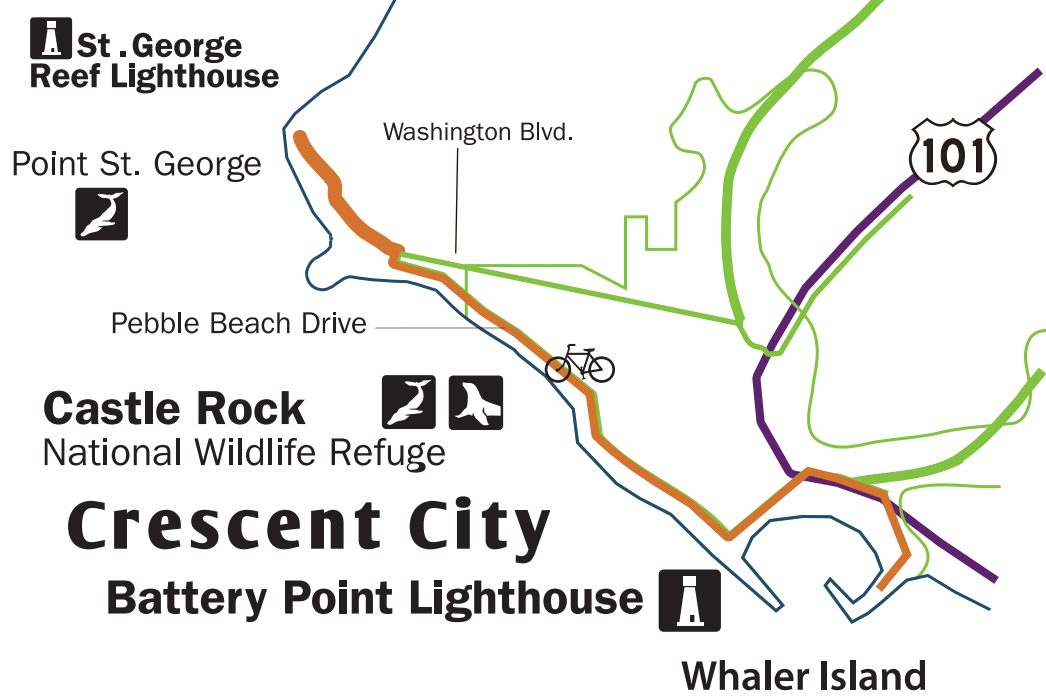


Little Bald Hills

Beginning on **Howland Hill Road** on the **Crescent City** side rather than driving to the **Myrtle Creek** trail parking area extends the actual ride and adds views. See **Ride #6** directions. The trailhead is in **Jedediah Smith State Park** about 1/2 (one half) mile from the end of the pavement, east of the **Stout Grove** parking area on **Howland Hill Road**. It is approximately 5 miles to the summit from this trailhead *. **Bald Hills** is derived from the open prairies that characterize it. This open area allows excellent viewing of birds of prey (mostly eagles and hawks). Be aware that there is the potential of encounters with bear or other wildlife.

* Continuing beyond the summit (at about midway) to **South Fork Road** (see map) will add 5 miles each way.

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1 Del Norte Rocks

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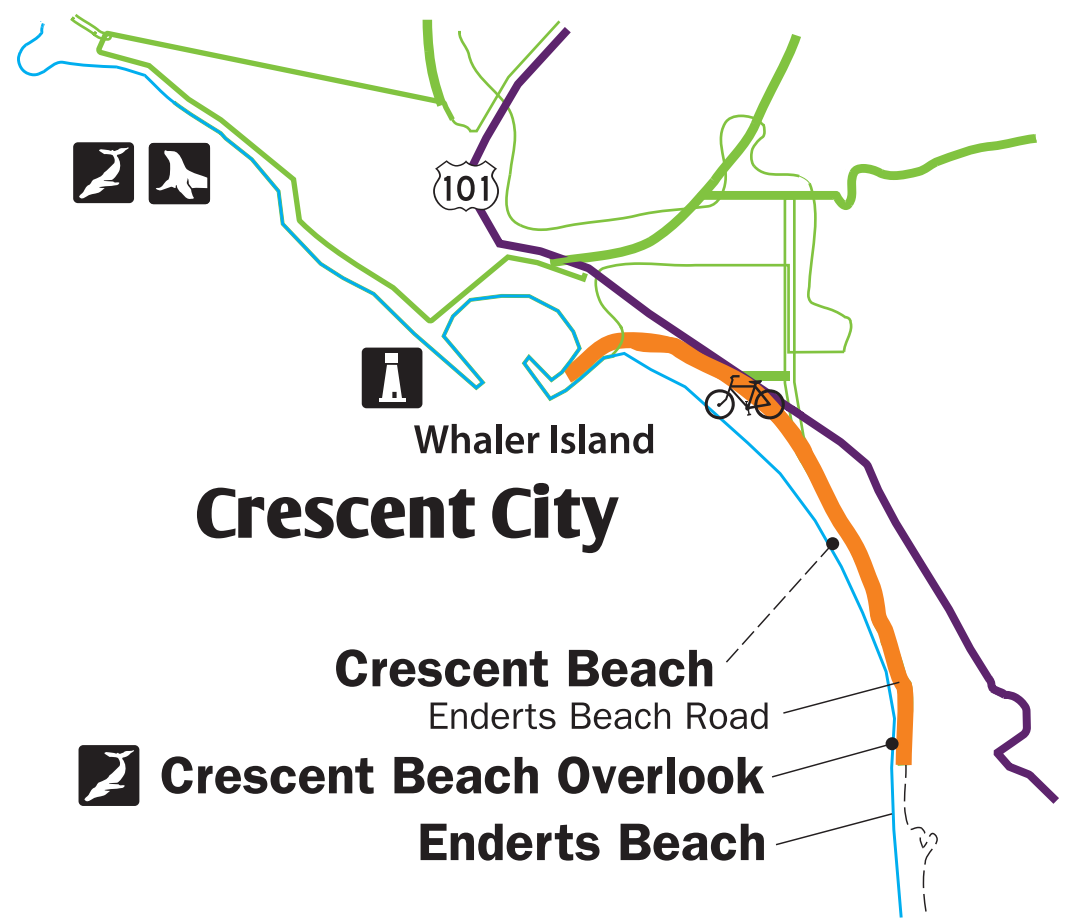
Bike Types: All
Round Trip: Approx. 11 miles
Trail Difficulty: Easy, flat
Cautions: Traffic along 101 at the beginning
Road Type: Paved
Family Friendly: Yes
Special Notes: None



Castle Rock

Start at **Whaler Island** at the **Crescent City Harbor** off Anchor Way and wind your way through the sport and commercial fishing boats. Head north avoiding Highway 101 traffic as much as possible. At the intersection of Elk Valley Road & 101 take Sunset Circle behind the motels and restaurants and cross the foot bridge to Front Street. Continue past the **Cultural Center**, **Beach Front Park** and the **Northcoast Marine Mammal Center**.

Meander to 5th Street and follow the ocean views along Pebble Beach Drive to Washington Boulevard. On your way you will pass **Battery Point Lighthouse**, **SS Brother Jonathon** shipwreck memorial and **Castle Rock**. Castle Rock is California's second largest marine bird largest rookery and largest gathering of Aleutian geese. Turn left and head to the end of the road. There you will find the old Coast Guard station; on a clear day you can see the **St. George Reef Lighthouse** about 6 miles offshore.



2 Crescent Beach Overlook

Trail Info

Bike Types: All
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 8 miles
Trail Difficulty: Flat with steep last mile
Cautions: Traffic along 101 at the beginning
Road Type: Paved
Family Friendly: Yes (see Cautions above)
Special Notes: Great beach, ocean, City, and Harbor view. Breathtaking at night!

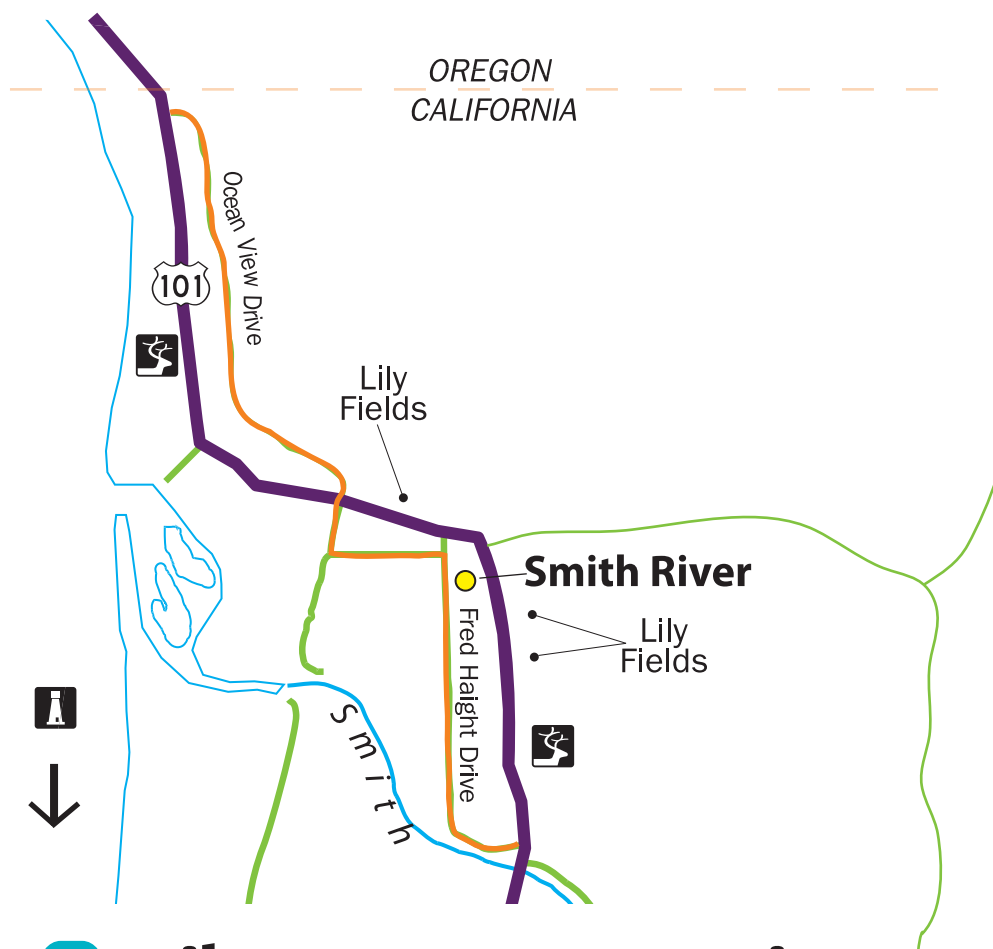


Enderts Beach

Start at **Crescent City Harbor** and travel U.S. Highway 101 South to the **Endert's Beach turnoff** *. Follow the road all the way to the end where you will find a fantastic scenic overlook complete with an observation deck. Watch for deer, elk, blackberries in season, and a wide variety of birdlife. If it's the right time of the year, you will be able to see migrating gray whales.

* Don't forget the traffic on Highway 101 because you are enjoying the expansive view of the ocean and South Beach along the way!

For more information visit **Back Country Bicycles** 707. 465.3995
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3 Lily Farms & Ocean View

Trail Info

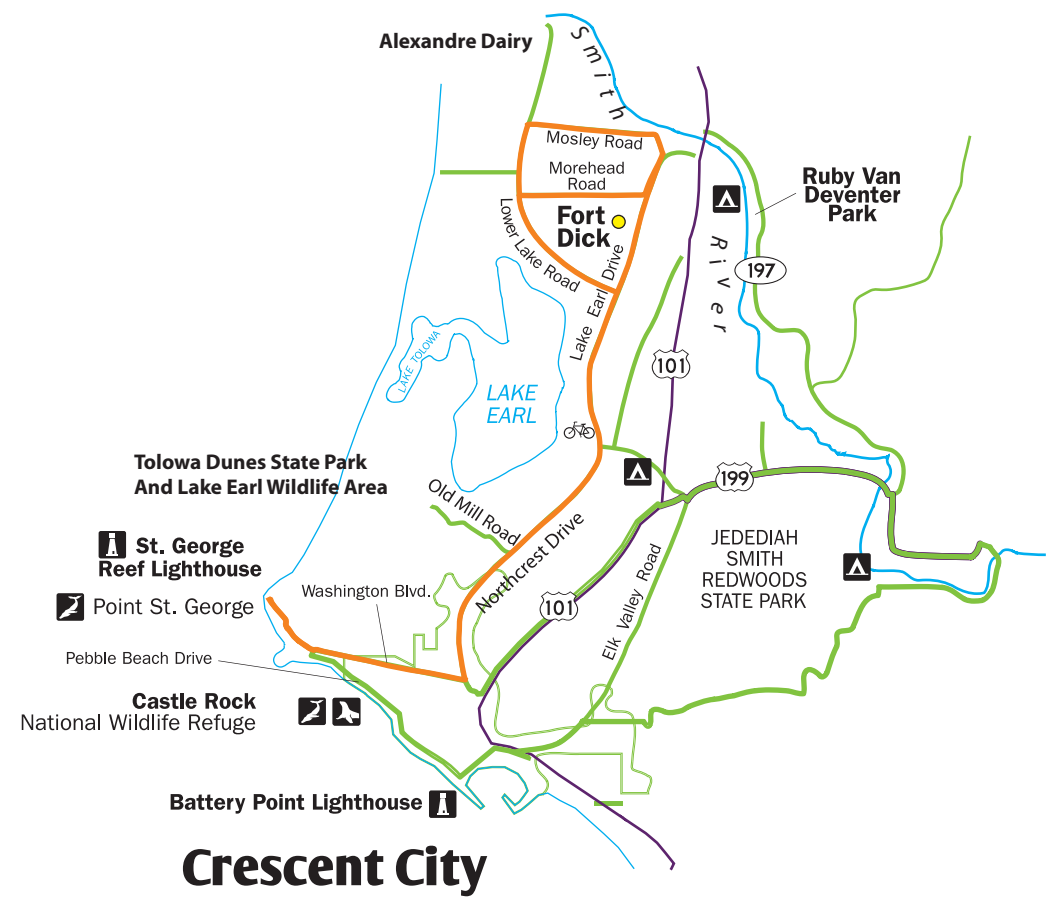
Bike Types: All
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 20 miles
Trail Difficulty: Easy start with rolling hills
Cautions: Traffic and crossing Highway 101
Road Type: Paved
Family Friendly: Yes (see Cautions above)
Special Notes: None



Easter Lily Field

The best place to begin is to park anywhere along **Fred Haight Drive** on the north side of the Smith River Bridge. Follow this gentle ride through the dairy country until you run into U.S. 101. CAREFULLY cross the highway onto **Oceanview Drive**. Continue on this road through rolling hills with stunning views of **lily fields**, distant ocean, and on a clear day, a view of the **St. George's Reef lighthouse**. Be on the watch for **Roosevelt elk**, a huge variety of seabirds and songbirds, and seasonal native plants and flowers. This ride takes you through parts of the **Native American Tolowa** tribal lands of the **Smith River Rancheria**.

If you want to make this a multi-state ride, keep heading north. You will need to travel a little more than a mile on 101 North over the Winchuck River Bridge and turn left onto Oceanview Drive. Follow this road to the Harbor at Brookings, Oregon.



Crescent City

4 Fort Dick Loop

Trail Info

Bike Types: All
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 15 miles
Trail Difficulty: Easy, flat
Cautions: Traffic
Road Type: Paved
Family Friendly: Yes (see Cautions above)
Special Notes: This area can be windy.

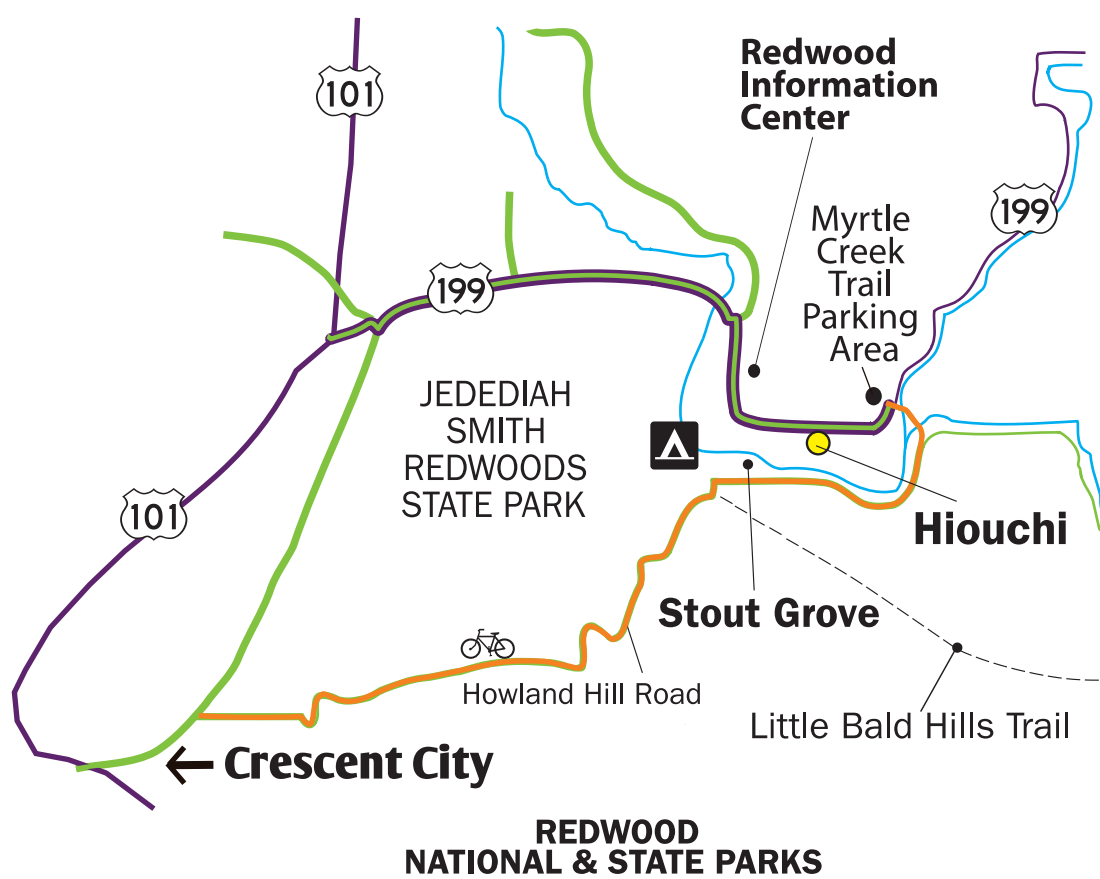


Alexandre Dairy

You may start this ride at the west end of **Washington Blvd.** at **Pt. St. George**. Proceed east along **Washington Blvd.** until you meet **Northcrest Drive**. Turn left (north) onto **Northcrest Drive**. Continue north on **Northcrest Drive** and it will change into **Lake Earl Drive**. Follow **Lake Earl Drive** to **Lower Lake Road**. This is a loop ride that takes you through dairy farms and flat roads near **Lake Earl**. The area is home to abundant bird life. You may turn off at either **Moorehead Road** or go further to **Mosley Road** to make a longer loop.

* On the return trip following **Lake Earl Drive**, you could make a detour onto **Old Mill Road** and see the **Lake Earl Wildlife Area** and the **Tolowa Dunes State Park**. This is not a paved route off the main road.

* To see **Alexandre Dairy**, ride north on **Lower Lake Road**.



5 Giant Redwoods

Trail Info

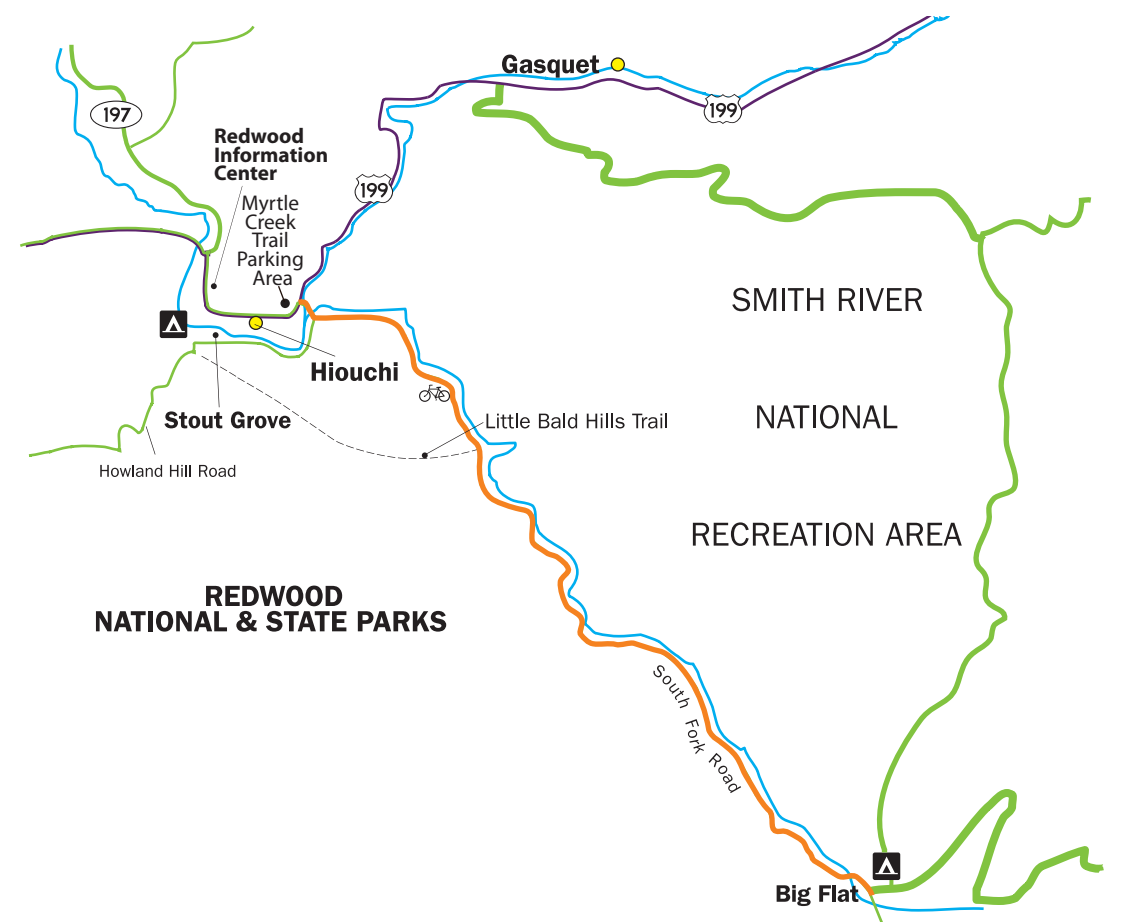
Bike Types: Trail or hybrids
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 16 miles
Trail Difficulty: Mostly rolling with one hill
Cautions: One lane travel, watch for cars
Road Type: Paved and gravel
Family Friendly: Yes
Special Notes: Walk your bike through Stout Grove.



Redwood Trees

Locally, this is known as the **Stout Grove** ride. The ride can be started at either end. If you start at the **Hiouchi** end you will park at the **Myrtle Creek Parking Area**. Cross the bridges and turn right towards **Douglas Park**. (You could actually skip the first part of this ride and park at the covered bridge.) After going through the covered bridge, follow the paved narrow road through a small residential community until the road changes into a gravel road entering the redwoods. The views of the **Smith River** the old growth redwoods and the local flora are spectacular!

Take the opportunity to stop at the Stout Grove designated parking area (there is a restroom there). You **must** walk your bicycle but the view is definitely worth it. Walk to the pristine Smith River and see **Jedediah Smith State Park** on the opposite side of the river. In the summer, a foot bridge is installed across the river. Proceed back to the gravel road and follow either to the top of the hill and make a return trip to your vehicle or ride all the way back into Crescent City on **Howland Hill Road**.



6 Smith River

Trail Info

Bike Types: All, except during construction
Distance Round Trip: Approx. 30 miles
Trail Difficulty: Rolling with 2 hills
Cautions: Check construction schedule at Hiouchi Hamlet.
Road Type: Paved
Family Friendly: Yes (see Cautions above)
Special Notes: Take water, no cell phone service



Forks of the Smith

The **South Fork of the Smith River** ride follows the River to the "off the grid" community of **Big Flat**. A good starting point is at Hwy. 199 turnout at **Myrtle Creek trail Parking Area**. Cross the bridge and turn left at the fork (there are signs). A steep hill is at approximately the 3 mile marker and a one mile hill begins at the 9 mile marker. The remainder of the ride is rolling. You will pass picnic areas, the community of **Rock Creek** and end up in **Big Flat**.

The views of the river, especially from the bridges, are worth the ride. Some years there are sanctioned kayak races along the way. In the spring, water flows from the hills and lush plant life, including darlingtonia (carnivorous pitcher plants) flourishes. Bridge construction is underway during the summer of 2010, so check for posted closures at **Hiouchi Hamlet** prior to departure. There is no bridge construction on Sundays.