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Town of Richmond Select Board P.O. Box 285 Richmond, VT 05477

Dear Members of the Richmond Select Board,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to request permission for the use of roads within the Town of Richmond for our upcoming **Spring Gravel Ride** event, scheduled for **April 12, 2025** (inclement weather date of 4/26/25).

The event will feature two route options: one approximately <u>50 miles</u> and another approximately <u>20 miles</u>. These routes are designed to highlight the beautiful roads and natural scenery of the area while accommodating cyclists of varying skill levels. The ride will depart from Catamount Outdoor Family Center (COFC) at **9:00 AM**, with a mass/controlled start and a police escort down Governor Chittenden Road to Route 2 and onto Kenyon Road. We expect the last cyclists to return to COFC around **2:00 PM**. We will limit participation with advanced registration.

There will be no road closures or lane reductions required. To ensure the safety of both cyclists and vehicles, we will advertise the event well in advance and place signage along the routes one week prior to the event. On the day of the ride, volunteer pairs will be stationed at all busy intersections, and additional signage will be placed as necessary.

This will be a non-competitive, recreational ride, with no timing, focused on enjoying the route and fostering a sense of community. Cyclists will prioritize safety at busy intersections, ensuring smooth flow and minimizing disruption.

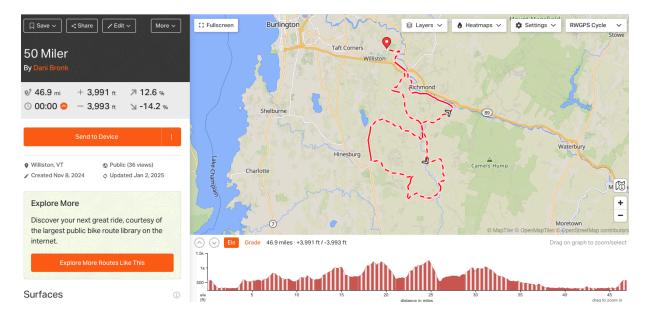
Route 1 (~50 mile) Cuesheet with Richmond Roads Highlighted:

 Continue onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 0.3 mi

- Keep left onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 0.5 mi
- Continue onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 1.1 mi
- Turn left onto Williston Road, Williston
 2.0 mi
- Turn right onto Kenyon Road, Richmond 3.2 mi
- Turn left onto Hinesburg Road, Richmond 5.3 mi
- Turn right onto Cemetery Road, Richmond
 6.0 mi
- Turn right onto Hillview Road, **Richmond** 6.7 mi
- Turn right onto Huntington Road, Richmond
 9.0 mi
- Turn left onto Mayo Road, Richmond
 9.9 mi
- Turn right onto Bridge Street, Huntington 11.6 mi
- Turn left onto East Street, Huntington 12.1 mi
- Turn slight left onto Main Road, Huntington 12.2 mi
- Keep left onto East Street, Huntington 12.2 mi
- Turn right onto Taft Road, Huntington 13.8 mi
- Keep right onto Taft Road, Huntington 15.4 mi
- Turn slight right onto Camel's Hump Road, Huntington 15.4 mi
- Turn sharp left onto Main Road, Huntington 16.0 mi
- Turn right onto Shaker Mountain Road, Huntington 16.8 mi
- Keep right onto Shaker Hill Road, Starksboro 17.5 mi
- Turn sharp right onto Big Hollow Road, Starksboro 20.0 mi

- Continue onto Big Hollow Road, Starksboro 20.3 mi
- Turn right onto Hinesburg Hollow Road, Starksboro 21.1 mi
- Turn sharp left onto Lincoln Hill Road, **Huntington** 22.1 mi
- Turn sharp right onto North Road, **Hinesburg** 25.9 mi
- Turn right onto Magee Hill Road, **Hinesburg** 28.8 mi
- Turn right onto Sherman Hollow Road, **Huntington** 30.0 mi
- Turn left onto Main Road, Richmond 33.7 mi
- Turn right onto Dugway Road, Richmond 34.8 mi
- Turn left onto Cochran Road, **Richmond** 38.0 mi
- Turn right onto Town Highway 16 (Johnnie Brook Road), Richmond 41.6 mi
- Turn right onto Kenyon Road, Richmond 43.7 mi
- Turn left onto West Main Street, Richmond/Williston Border 43.7 mi
- Turn right onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 44.8 mi

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Paved	14.2 mi	30%
III Unpaved	32.7 mi	70%

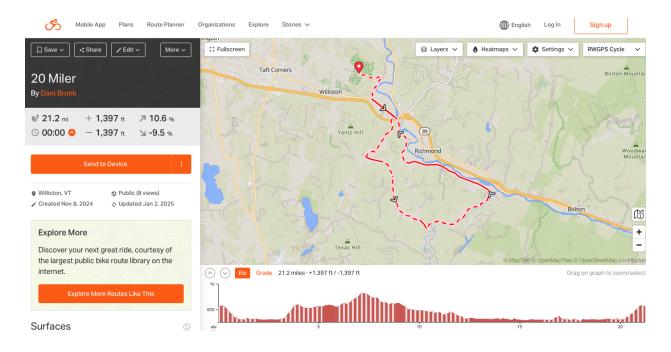


Route 2 (20 mile): Cuesheet with Richmond Roads Highlighted:

- Continue onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 0.2 mi
- Keep left onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 0.4 mi
- Continue onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 0.9 mi
- Turn left onto Williston Road, Williston 1.9 mi
- Turn right onto Kenyon Road, Richmond 3.0 mi
- Turn left onto Hinesburg Road, Richmond 5.2 mi
- Turn right onto Cemetery Road, Richmond 5.9 mi
- Turn right onto Hillview Road, Richmond
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- Turn right onto Huntington Road, Richmond 8.8 mi
- Turn sharp left onto Dugway Road, Richmond
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- Turn left onto Cochran Road, Richmond 12.5 mi
- Keep right onto Huntington Road, Richmnd 15.7 mi

- Turn right onto Town Highway 16 (Johnnie Brook Road), Richmond 16.1 mi
- Turn right onto Kenyon Road, Richmond 18.2 mi
- Turn left onto West Main Street, Williston 18.2 mi
- Turn right onto Governor Chittenden Road, Williston 19.4 mi

Surfaces	(i)
Paved 7.4 mi 3	5%
III Unpaved 13.9 mi 6	5%



Event Details:

- Start/Finish Location: The event will start and finish at <u>Catamount Outdoor Family</u> <u>Center</u>, located at 592 Governor Chittenden Road, Williston, VT. This location will serve as our central hub for registration, refreshments, and post-ride activities.
- Support and Safety: The event will include adequate safety measures, such as ride marshals, route signage, and support vehicles. We will work to ensure both participant safety and minimal disruption to local traffic.

I would be happy to submit any necessary applications or provide more detailed plans related to logistics and safety for your review. Additionally, if it would be helpful, I am available to attend an upcoming Select Board meeting to discuss the event in person.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to your feedback and hope we can move forward with this exciting event.

Warm regards, Amanda Preston Operations and Event Manager 802-879-6001 programs@catamountoutdoor.org