

## Fields of Durham - I

Total Distance: **28.7 miles**

Elevation Gain: **1341 feet**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1341 ft / 28.7 mi = 46.72 ft/mi**

Terrain: **Rolling/hilly**

Killer Hills: **There are a couple hilly sections**

Geographical Region: **Southwest...but on the border of South Central**

City/Town: **Wallingford**

Starting Location: **I-91 Exit 15 CPL (Rt. 68) in Wallingford**

Ride Description: **This is a mostly rolling ride (with a couple of sharp hills) through Wallingford, Middlefield and Durham. There is a special view of Powder Ridge Ski Area and the Coginchaug River Valley from the height of land on Powder Hill Road, followed by a scintillating downhill to the suggested lunch/snack stop at the Lyman Orchards farm store. There is plenty of interesting bucolic scenery to be enjoyed on this ride.**

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

<b>Mile</b>	<b>Facilities - <i>Points of Interest</i></b>
4.2	<i>Pass to the left of MacKenzie Reservoir</i>
6.7	<i>Pass Blue Trail Range, be alert for loud gunfire</i>
8.0	<i>Reed Gap; Tilcon Sand &amp; Gravel operation on right</i>
10.4	<i>Fine views of Lyman Orchards, the Coginchaug River Valley, and the Powder Ridge Ski Area</i>
13.0	Lyman Orchards Farm Store: restrooms, deli, farm produce
15.6	<i>Durham Town Green</i>
16.3	Convenience Store on right; ice cream stand on left (seasonal)
20.8	<i>Paug Gap: Cross Mattabesett Trail; Pistapaug Pond on left</i>
21.7	<i>Large dairy farm operation</i>
23.0	<i>Pass to the right of MacKenzie Reservoir</i>
23.7	<i>Vietnam Memorial Soccer fields and mountain bike trail on left; possible portable restroom</i>

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