

## Fields of Durham - II

Total Distance: **30.4 miles with 32.9 mile option**  
**feet**

Elevation Gain: **1575**

Degree of Difficulty Index: **1575' / 32.9 mi = 47.87 ft/mi**

Terrain: **Rolling/Hilly**

Killer Hills: **Powder Hill Rd beginning at mile 13.4 (Powder Hill Option only)**  
**Parmelee Hill Rd beginning at mile 22.7**

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

City/Town: **Wallingford**

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

Special Directions: **The CPL is located west of I-91 on the north side of Route 68**

Ride Description: **This is a mostly rolling ride (with a couple sharp hills) through Wallingford, Meriden, Middlefield, and Durham with interesting bucolic scenery. Lunch can be enjoyed at the Lyman Orchards farm store.**

**Note: There is an option to lengthen the ride by 2.5 miles with a climb over Powder Hill. This option offers great views of the Powder Ridge Ski Area, Lyman Orchards, and the Coginchaug River Valley from the top of Powder Hill Road, followed by a scintillating downhill to a lunch stop at Lyman Orchards farm store.**

Facilities:

<b>Mile</b>	<b>Facility</b>
8.7	<i>Pass to the left of MacKenzie Reservoir</i>
11.1	<i>Pass Blue Trail Range, be alert for loud gunfire</i>
12.7	<i>Reed Gap; Tilcon Sand &amp; Gravel operation on right</i>
15.1	<i>Fine views of Lyman Orchards, the Coginchaug River Valley, and the Powder Ridge Ski Area (<b>Powder Hill option only</b>)</i>
15.3	Lyman Orchards Farm Store: restrooms, deli, farm produce
18.2	<i>Durham Town Green</i>
18.5	Convenience Store on right; ice cream stand on left (seasonal)
~23.0	<i>Paug Gap: Cross Mattabesett Trail; Pistapaug Pond on left</i>
23.8	<i>Fine western views</i>
25.0	<i>Pass to the right of MacKenzie Reservoir</i>
25.8	<i>Vietnam Memorial Soccer fields and mountain bike trail on left; possible portable restroom</i>

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