## The eRide – East Windsor, Enfield, East Longmeadow and Ellington

NOTE: This Ride Description and its corresponding Route Sheet may not have been checked for accuracy by the www.ctbikeroutes.org team

Total Distance: 43.2 miles Elevation Gain: 1298 feet

Degree of Difficulty Index: 1298 ft / 43.2 mi = 30.04 ft/mi Terrain: Flat to rolling

Killer Hills: None

Geographical Region: North Central Connecticut

Starting Location (city/town): East Windsor

Starting Location (detailed directions to): Broad Brook Elementary School, 14 Rye St., Broad Brook section of East Windsor. Take I-91 Exit 45 (Rt. 140) and go east on Rt. 140 for  $\sim$  4 miles; turn right (south) on Rt. 191 (Main St) and follow Main St for a mile (continue on Main St past where Rt. 191 goes R) to a fork @ SS (Windsorville Rd is L fork) and take the right fork onto Rye St. The school will appear shortly on the right. Use the  $1^{st}$  school parking lot that you come to (on the right).

Ride Description: This is an ideal spring warm-up ride over mostly flat terrain through three counties in two states. The ride derives its name from four of the five towns visited (East Windsor, Enfield, East Longmeadow and Ellington) and the bonus town is Somers. The Somers Recreational Area or the Ellington Green are ideal spots for a rest/snack/lunch break. Amongst the sights along the way are landscape nursery farms, dairy farms, tobacco farms and drying barns, crop farms, Xmas tree farms, horse farms, a berry farm, several golf courses and the Four Town Fairgrounds...a veritable plethora of delightful sights.

Facilities and *Points of Interest*:

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0.0	Broad Brook Elementary School - Start
0.8	1 <sup>st</sup> of several landscape plant nursery operations (on the left)
3.0	1 <sup>st</sup> of several dairy farms (on the left)
9.0	1 <sup>st</sup> of several horse farm operations (on the left)
15.0	Enter Massachusetts
20.2	Re-enter Connecticut
25.8	Somers Recreational Area on the right; possible snack/lunch stop (stores available in Somers)
27.1	Four Town Fairgrounds on the right
31.9	Ellington Green; possible snack/lunch stop @ the gazebo (convenience store opposite green)
43.2	Broad Brook Elementary School - Finish

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