

# North Arm Indian Valley Loop With Additional Rides to Engel Mine and Moonlight Peak

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Ride Type:	Loop that could be lengthened
Distance:	Total of 15.3 miles
Elevation:	Start: 3545'; <b>Highest Point: ' (Difference of ')</b>
Scenery:	Lovely lush valley meadow riding; possible bison viewing at a ranch
Season:	April to November (possible rain or snow other months)
Maps:	Taylorville and Moonlight Peak Quadrangles
Comments:	

## Directions to Trailhead

Drive to Taylorville, through the town, 1/2 mile east to the County campground (CG) on County road 112, past the rodeo grounds on right.

## General Description

Easy ride on mostly chip seal, with additional miles up past Engel mine or up Moonlight Peak to increase the difficulty and length.

***R= right    L= left    Strt= straight    RR= Railroad    Rd= road    E= east    W= west    S= south    N= north***

<b>Map Refer.</b>	<b>Approx. Mile</b>	<b><u>Turn</u></b>	<b><u>Onto Street/Route</u></b>	<b><u>Comment</u></b>
A	0.0		Start at Taylorville county park campground (CG) Co. road 112, North Valley Road, 1/2 mile east of Taylorville	
B	1.0	Strt	Co. road 112	Continue north on this road, seeing sign for left turn to Taylorville
C	1.2	L	Co. road 112	Continue northwest to bridge, <u>or</u> take right onto North Arm Road to do the trip counterclockwise, though this is not preferred as the chip seal is in great shape but is rougher than pavement, and there's more up hill in this direction on that gravel

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| D | 1.9 | R    | Co. road 213 | see lovely Lights and Cooks (Diamond Mt. Road) Creeks on right, along with meadows and several ranches  |
| E | 5.5 | Strt | Co. road 213 | road bears right at the top of north arm, and just past the bridge over Cook's Creek, look for bison at ranch to the left   |
| F | 6.9 | Strt | Co. road 213 | <i>Here you could take a left turn just after the Lights Creek Bridge to continue north, following Lights Creek to approximately mile 8.8, where you go left onto Forest Service (FS) dirt road 29N46 to Moonlight Pass and Peak, 7 miles further at 6828 feet.</i> |

*Or, take a left turn just after the Lights Creek Bridge to continue north, following Lights Creek to approximately mile 8.8, continue straight to the Engel copper mine tailings, approximately 4 miles further north of the turnoff, after which point you cross a bridge, and the road becomes dirt.*

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Or go right to complete the 15.3 mile loop.

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| G   | 6.9  | R | Co. road 214 | go south to the left turn back onto Co. road 112 |
| ??? | 10.1 | L | Co. road 112 | Continue back to CG                              |
|     | 15.3 | L | Co. road 112 | into CG  |