

Douglas County
Bicycling Map
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Colorado State Patrol - 303.688.3115
Douglas County Traffic - 303.660.7490
Castle Rock Police - 303.663.6100
Parker Police - 303.841.9800
Lone Tree Police - 303.339.8150

COLORADO BICYCLING MANUAL
<https://www.codot.gov/programs/bikeped>
Information for bicyclists/bike-ped manual

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LEGEND

Bike Lanes (on-street)	Multi Use Path (off-street)	Bike Routes
All Users	Hard Surface	Gravel/Dirt
Moderate	Gravel/Dirt	Moderate
Advanced		Advanced

Bike Repair Facility	Trail Head	Transit Station
Activated Flashing Crossing	Hospital	Area School
Bike Fixit Station	Bike Skills Park	

1 inch = 1.35 miles

Types of Bike Facilities

Bike Lanes are on-street bikeways that are exclusively for bicycles. They are designated by signs, and pavement lane striping and markings.

There are three categories of bike lanes:

- All Users** - Indicates lower traffic speeds and volumes, appropriate for every level rider.
- Moderate** - Indicates higher volumes, better for more skilled or experienced riders.
- Advanced** - Indicates higher speeds and volumes, higher truck volumes, better for more experienced riders.

Multi Use Trails are off-road trails that are designed for non-motorized travel. These trails may be shared by bicyclist and pedestrians, runners, skaters, etc.

- Hard Surface** - Indicates that the trail is either a concrete or asphalt paved pathway and may be maintained for year round use.
- Gravel/Dirt** - Indicates that the trail is gravel surface or natural and may or may not be maintained for winter use.

Bike Routes are roadways usually marked with "Share the Road" signs where bicycle usage is common or to be expected. No facilities are provided for exclusive bike use.

- Paved Moderate** - Shoulders 4' or wider, with moderate speeds and volumes.
- Paved Advanced** - Minimal or no shoulder, 0' - 4', with higher speeds and volumes.
- Gravel/Dirt** - Gravel or Dirt roadway with low to moderate speeds and volumes.

For additional information on facilities in the Towns of Castle Rock, Parker, Larkspur and Cities of Castle Pines, Lone Tree, Aurora and Littleton, please contact those agencies.

Castle Rock - www.crgov.com
Parker - www.parkeronline.org
Lone Tree - www.cityoflonetree.com
Castle Pines - www.castlepinesgov.com
Highlands Ranch - www.highlandsranch.org
Larkspur - www.townoflarkspur.org
Aurora - www.auroragov.org
Littleton - www.littletongov.org

Bicycling Map Information

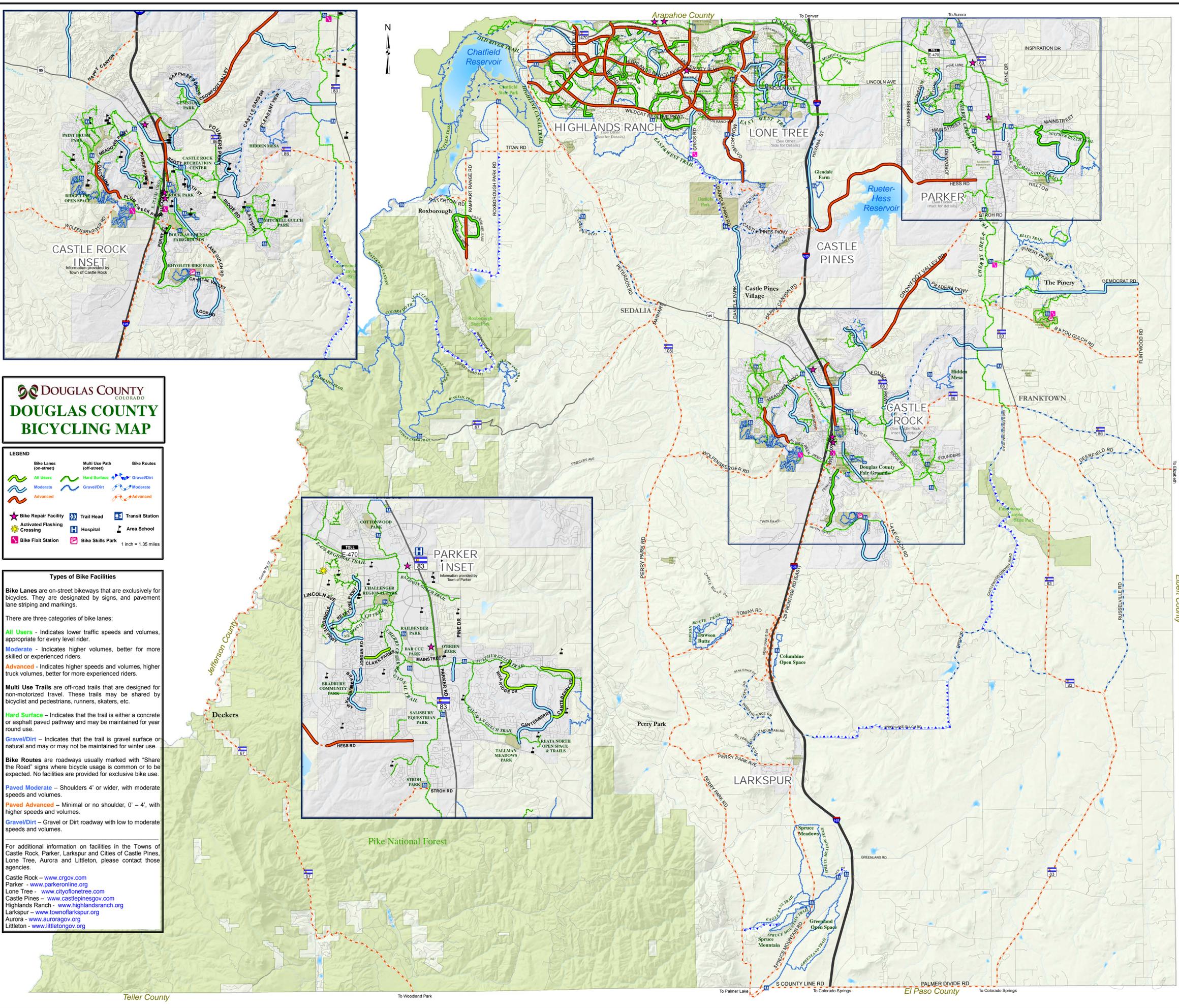
Douglas County recognizes that development of a bicycle network is an important component of a balanced multi-modal transportation system. Douglas County encourages bicycling for transportation and recreation and continues to improve and expand our bicycle system. The intent of this bicycling map is to provide information on bikeways within Douglas County and to encourage bicycling.

This map was developed as a public service by Douglas County in cooperation with local jurisdictions and districts.

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CASTLE ROCK
Information provided by Town of Castle Rock

PARKER
Information provided by Town of Parker

Bike Skills Park
This mountain bike skills parks at Bayou Gulch Regional Park and Rhyolite Park will provide bikers of all skill levels the opportunity to improve at their craft and have a little fun doing it.



Bike Fixit Stations
Douglas County Parks, Trails & Building Grounds and the Town of Castle Rock have been installing Bike Fixit Stations at various locations. These Fixit Stations include a bike hanger with attached tools and air pump providing all of the tools necessary to perform basic bike repairs and maintenance, from changing a flat to adjusting brakes and derailleurs.



Bicycling Helpful Information and Rules

"Sharrows" in Douglas County
Shared lane pavement markings (or "sharrows") are placed to assist bicyclists with lateral positioning in a shared lane and to reduce the incidence of wrong-way bicycling, and to remind drivers to share the road with cyclists. Unlike bicycle lanes, sharrows do not designate a particular part of the street for the exclusive use of bicyclists.



Dress for Safe Riding
Protect yourself; wear a helmet to reduce the risk of head injuries.

- Avoid loose clothing that can become entangled in gears, chains, etc.
- Make sure your helmet fits properly and is securely latched.
- Use protective clothing and equipment. Safety glasses are recommended to reduce the possibility of dirt or insects in your eyes.
- Wear proper footwear, avoid sandals or bare feet.



Maintain Control

- Know your bike and practice riding away from traffic to become familiar and comfortable with your bike controls.
- Never ride on the road if you do not have total control of your bike.
 - Maintain brakes, tires, bike chain and lights in good working condition.
 - Avoid distractions, such as listening to music with headphones or talking on a cell phone.
 - Never assume that motorists see you, make eye contact with drivers and be ready to react to unexpected events.



See and Be Seen

- Pay attention to other vehicles and make sure that you are visible to others.
- Bikes are required to be equipped with reflectors and lights for visibility at night. Both rear and front lights are highly recommended.
 - Watch for vehicles waiting at stop signs or near driveways.
 - Watch for on-coming traffic that may be preparing to turn in front of you.
 - Watch for opening doors when passing parked vehicles.
 - Be prepared to stop suddenly or take evasive action.



Obey the Laws

- Bicyclists have all the rights and duties applicable to the drivers of any other vehicle and can be penalized for violating traffic laws. See Colorado State Statutes: "Title 42 Vehicles and Traffic", specifically 42-4-1412.
- Bicycles are vehicles and must follow the same rules of the road as a car.
 - Ride on the right side of the road, with vehicle traffic or in a bike lane.
 - When riding a bicycle, signal your intention to turn or change lanes.
 - Bikes may not impede traffic in the roadway.
 - STOP at stop signs, obey traffic signals and yield when necessary.
 - You must yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and on multi use trails.
 - If you choose to use the pedestrian crosswalk to cross a street, get off your bike and walk across as a pedestrian.
 - Don't change lanes unless you can do so safely. Yield to other vehicles.



Multi-Use Trails

- Please be sure to obey local regulations when using a multi-use trail.
- Always ride, walk, and skate on the right side of the trail.
 - Obey signs and markings on the trail.
 - Pass on the left, when the trail is clear.
 - Give audible warning before overtaking other trail users.
 - Ring your bike bell, or use an audible signal.
 - Loudly and clearly call out "Passing".
 - Don't stop on or block the trail.
 - Ride single file so that others may pass.
 - Look for traffic before entering trail.
 - Watch for the unexpected, especially with kids or dogs.
 - Slow down when the trail is crowded, and travel at speeds that are safe and appropriate to trail conditions.