

Route Name

# Dixie Pass - Reynolds Creek Loop

GRAVEL #3

## Prairie City Bicycle Invitational

### Dates Supported

### Ride Type

### Difficulty

V)

### Time required

### Distance on paved surface

### Total trip distance

### Lowest gear ratio on test bike

### Necessary Supplies beverage

Mountain or X-bike with fat tires  
Technical - 2.5, Physical - III (scale 1-5 & I-

4-7 hours (approximate)

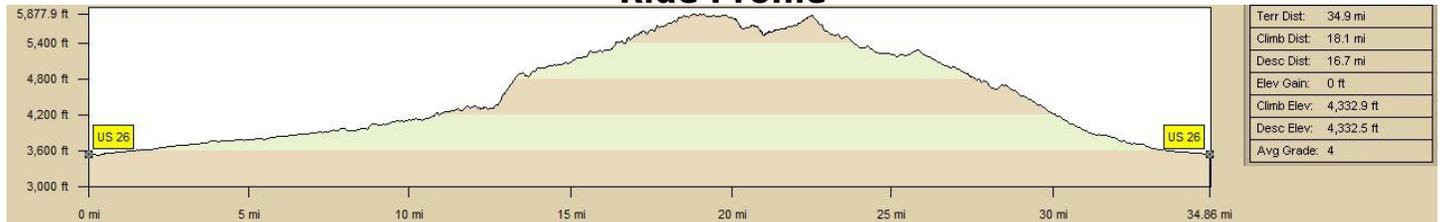
16.2 miles (approximate)

35.13 miles (approximate)

30 Rear X 39 Front

1<sup>st</sup> aid, suitable clothing, snacks, maps &

### Ride Profile



### General Description

NOTE: The segment of this route beyond Dixie Pass is combined with GRAVEL #2 Dixie Butte Loop (its segment up to Dixie Pass), producing the longer ride titled **GRAVEL #1 Dixie Pass Nexus Loop**.

Pavement at both ends, roughly 9 miles out then 7 at its end. The Gravel portions vary greatly – including FS315 which is now closed by bermed up barriers against vehicular traffic at both ends, so expect conditions more like path than road. Noting the profile this route involves lots of climbing, some of which for many will mean occasionally dismount. Emphatically, this is not an easy ride, so be prepared -- *you wanted backcountry and here you get it for all the challenges and rewards – scenery, wildlife and solitude in the latter.*

Fatter tires here are advised but X-bike tires are passable for the highly skilled rider.

### Route Directions

- Start point Highway SR 26 (Front Street) & NW Johnson Avenue
- 9 miles Dixie Pass summit on SR 26
- 9.3 miles Leave SR26, **right** onto NFSR 306 (ignore “Dead End” sign)
- 10.7 miles **Left** onto NFSR 318 just before first cattle guard on NFSR 306
- 11.54 miles Cross 1<sup>st</sup> cattle guard encountered on NFSR 318
- 12.5 miles Cross 2<sup>nd</sup> cattle guard encountered on NFSR 318
- 12.6 miles **Left** onto and NFSR 315 which climbs abruptly up off NFSR 318 which continues level on beyond
- 12.72 miles Crest ridge to where NFSR 315 is bermed and signed as “closed” (skirt around berm to take NFSR 315 as it descends downward)  
**NOTE:** NFSR 315 ends up being hardly more than a grassed path rather than road
- 14.63 miles NFSR 315 intersects NFSR 769. Take NFSR 769 **right** (which sweeps abruptly down and left)
- 14.72 miles **Right** onto NFSR 946 branching off NFSR 769, immediately curving left, climbing nearly a mile before leveling out, tracing close to the left (east) side of the ridgeline  
**NOTE:** NFSR 946 dead ends as a grassed area from which the ATV takes off as described next
- 18.11 miles **Right** through opening in barbed wire fence to descend steeply down ATV trail from where NFSR 946 ended
- 18.22 miles **Left** onto NFSR 629
- 19.72 mi Cattle guard
- 20.86 mi Green gate swung open
- 20.86 miles NFSR 629 **merges** with NFSR 616 encountered from the right
- 22.71 miles **Right** onto NFSR 2635 (Reynolds Creek Rd, across which is Reynolds Creek Camp Ground)
- 26.89 miles **Right** onto CR-62, headed back to Prairie City on pavement
- 35 miles **END**

