GREENWAYS & BLUEWAYS

REGIONAL HIKING, BIKING & WATER TRAILS
NORTHWEST INDIANA REGIONAL MAP

Map labels

LAKE MICHIGAN

Michigan City
Long Beach
Michiana Shores
Beverly Shores
Town of Pines
Trail Creek
Hudson Lake
Rolling Prairie
La Porte
Fish Lake
Westville
Kingsbury
Kingsford Heights
Wanatah
Hanna
La Crosse

Berrien County
LaPorte County
St. Joseph County
Porter County
Starke County

MICHIGAN
INDIANA

Kankakee River

Get to Know Your Trails

Please refer to the map for segments open, funded or proposed

Regional Trails

Calumet Trail
9-miles; limestone; Porter to Michigan City

Calumet Sag Trail
30 miles; asphalt; Lemont to Burnham (IL)

C&O Greenway
11 miles; asphalt; Griffith to Winfield

Dunes-Kankakee Trail
30 miles; asphalt; Dunes State Park to Kankakee River

Erie-Lackawanna Trail
17 miles; asphalt; Hammond to Crown Point

Lincoln Memorial Trail
10 miles; asphalt; Michigan City to Westville

Little Calumet River Levee Trail
11 miles; limestone; Munster to Gary

Oak-Savannah Trail
9 miles; asphalt; Griffith to Hobart

Pennsy Greenway
15 miles; asphalt; Lansing, IL to Crown Point

Prairie-Duneland Trail
11 miles; asphalt; Portage to Chesterton

Veterans Memorial Trail
9 miles; asphalt & equestrian; Crown Point to Hebron

Visionary Trails

American Discovery Trail
Coast-to-Coast; road & trail; discoverytrail.org

Grand Illinois Trail
450 miles; road & trail; Northern Illinois

Marquette Greenway
50 miles; asphalt; Chicago, IL to New Buffalo, MI

Legend
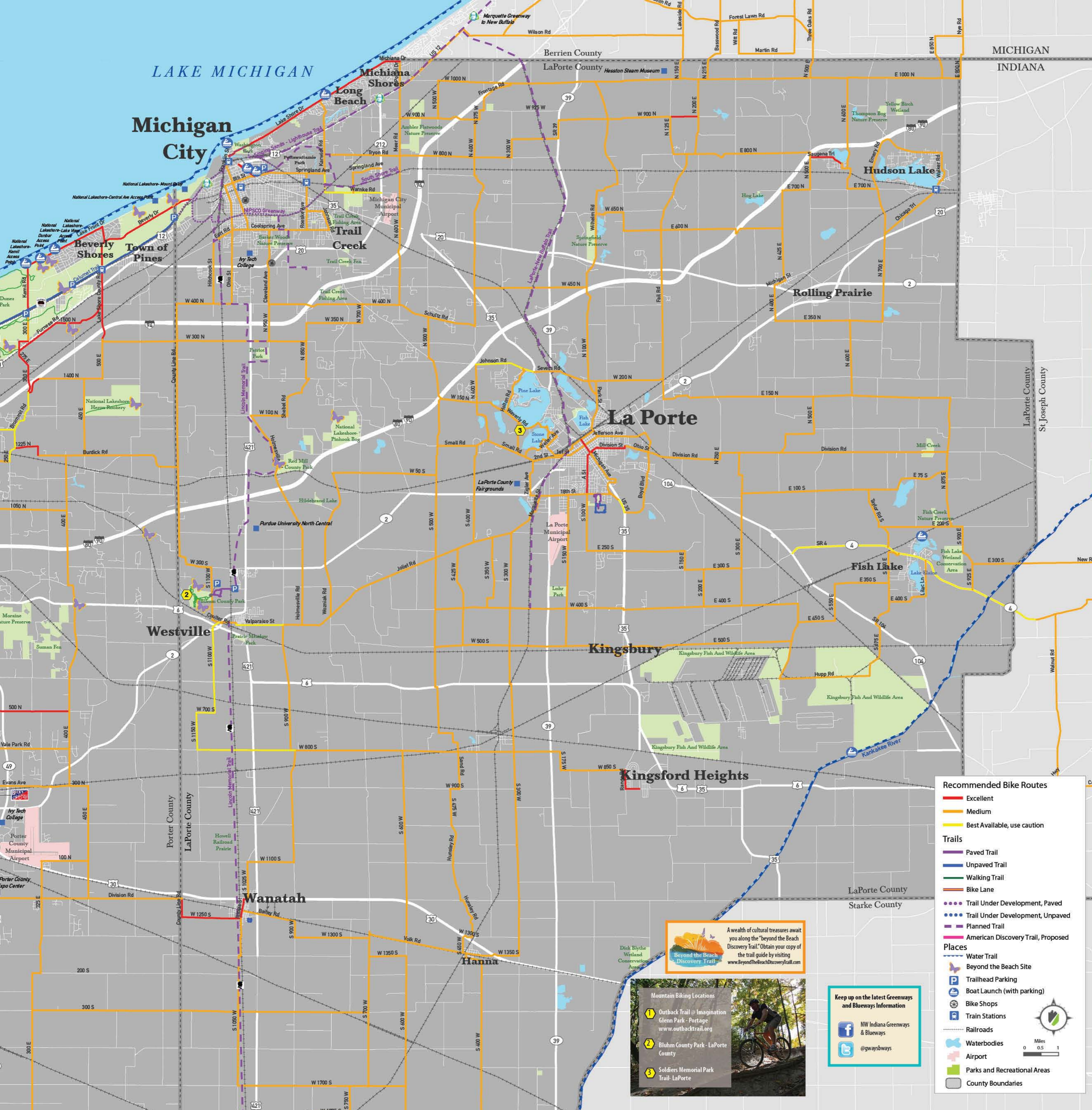
Recommended Bike Routes
- Excellent
- Medium
- Best Available, use caution

Trails
- Paved Trail
- Unpaved Trail
- Walking Trail
- Bike Lane
- Trail Under Development, Paved
- Trail Under Development, Unpaved
- Planned Trail
- American Discovery Trail, Proposed

Places
- Water Trail
- Beyond the Beach Site
- Trailhead Parking
- Boat Launch (with parking)
- Bike Shops
- Train Stations
- Railroads
- Waterbodies
- Airport
- Parks and Recreational Areas
- County Boundaries

Mountain Biking Locations
1. Outback Trail > Imagination Glen Park - Portage www.outbacktrail.org
2. Bluhm County Park - LaPorte County
3. Soldiers Memorial Park Trail - LaPorte

A wealth of cultural treasures await you along the "beyond the Beach Discovery Trail" Obtain your copy of the trail guide by visiting www.BeyondTheBeachDiscoveryTrail.com

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Types of Bikeways

Bike Lanes
- 5' to 6' wide section on each side of the street reserved for bicycle use.
- Usually established on streets with lots of traffic.
- Special pavement markings and signs identify the lanes.

parking | bike lane | travel lane | travel lane | bike lane | parking

Marked Shared Lanes
parking | shared travel lane | shared travel lane | parking
- Cars and bicycles share the street.
- Usually established on streets with lots of traffic that are too narrow for bike lanes.
- Special pavement markings direct bicyclists to ride outside the "Door Zone" (see "Door Zone" panel). Markings and signs also encourage cars to share the lane with bicyclists.

Bike Routes
parking | shared lane | shared lane | parking
- Cars and bicycles share the lane.
- Many bike routes have signs showing the direction and distance to destinations (e.g. the Loop, the lakefront).
- Bike routes are usually on streets that aren't wide enough for bike lanes but are good streets for biking.

Multi-use Trails
SKATER/BICYCLIST
PEDESTRIAN/RUNNER
- Paved paths separated from the road for bicyclists, walkers, runners, and in-line skaters (such as the Lakefront Trail).

Street-Smart Cyclist
Communicate and Avoid Injury

State Law (IC 9-21-11-2) requires cyclists to obey all the same traffic laws as motorists. This means obeying all the same traffic laws as motorists, like stop signs and stop lights, and yielding to pedestrians in crosswalks.

LEFT | RIGHT | STOP

Use hand signals so that drivers know where you're going. Signal all your turns and stops ahead of time. Also, before turning, look over your shoulder for any traffic. Check and only move when it's safe.

Confirm your presence with motorists
Eye contact is good, a wave is even better. If you are unsure if a motorist sees you, use extra caution before proceeding.

See. Be seen. Be heard.
Use lights at night or when visibility is poor. A white headlight and rear red reflector or taillight are required by state law (IC 9-21-11-9). Flashing lights are especially effective.
Use bike reflectors, reflective clothing and a bell.

Never use earphones because you won't be able to hear what's going on around you.
Using earphones is not only dangerous, it's illegal.

- Always wear a bicycle helmet to reduce the risk of permanent injury or death from a crash.
- To make sure your helmet fits correctly, put it on and use the "eyes, ears, mouth" test. Eyes: When you look up, you should see the front rim. If not, your helmet won't protect your forehead. Ears: The side straps should come to a "V" just below each ear. Mouth: When you open your mouth wide, you should feel the helmet push down on your head. If your helmet doesn't pass the test, adjust your buckles.

Sharing the Trail
Off-street Biking

Keep to the right.
Yield to pedestrians and slower moving traffic except when passing. Slow down when there are lots of users on the trail.

Use your path.
Don't bike on designated walking or running paths.

NO | YES

Be careful at crossings.
Look both ways.
Cyclists yield to through traffic at intersections. Remember, pedestrians have the right of way.
Pedestrians: exercise caution. Be aware that cyclists and skaters require lots of room to stop.

Advise others when passing.
Sound your bell or horn or call out when approaching pedestrians or slower cyclists. Then pass safely on the left.

"Passing on your left."

Water Safety Tips

GENERAL SAFETY ADVICE
- Always wear a personal floatation device (PFD)
- Be prepared for changing weather conditions
- Keep spare clothing in a sealed bag
- Bring adequate food and water. Water is not available at most access sites.
- Don't overload your canoe
- Know your abilities and physical limitations
- Leave a trip plan with friends/family

RIVER COURTESY
- All other docks and shorelines are privately owned and should not be accessed unless in an emergency
- Don't leave litter. Be a river steward and clean up litter.
- Respect the rights of anglers and hunters
- Always be courteous

Bikes on Transit
- Alert the bus operator
- Lower the rack by squeezing the center handle.
- Load bicycle in the available spot closest to the bus, and secure front tire with support arm.
- Board the bus and pay fare.
- When exiting, alert the bus driver that you'll be removing your bicycle.
- Unload your bicycle. If no other bicycles remain, stow the rack against the bus in the upright position.