

## 2021 Firecracker 50 Course Description

Map to Purchase: "Breckenridge and Summit County Hiking and Biking Trail Map". It is available at the Breckenridge Welcome Center, 203 S. Main St. and most local shops. Proceeds from the sale of this map go toward Open Space.

- The course is a 25-mile loop. Two person teams will ride the loop once each in a relay format.
- Start at the Traffic Light downtown located at the intersection of Lincoln and Main.
- Ride south on Main St. in a neutral start format>Left onto Jefferson Ave>Right onto French St.>Turn left onto Boreas Pass Rd.

FOR MORE ACCURATE MILEAGES WHILE PRE-RIDING, RESET ODOMETER NEXT TO THE BUS STOP AT THE ICE RINK PARKING LOT. ALL MILEAGES ARE APPROXIMATE

0.00 From Bus Stop, ride east on Boreas Pass Rd PAVED

1.00 Turn right onto Illinois Gulch Rd. PAVED

1.55 Turn left onto Bunker Hill Lode PAVED

1.60 Turn right onto Boreas Pass Rd. PAVED

2.30 Pavement ends at Boreas Pass Trailhead DIRT ROAD

3.80 Go past a buck and rail fence at a meadow, stay on Boreas Pass Road

5.40 Aid Station #1 in large pullout on the right side of road approx. ¼ mile before you get to Bakers Tank.

5.45 Stay Left of the actual Bakers Tank and climb straight uphill with the tank on your right. SINGLETRACK

5.46 Hard Left onto Bakers Tank Trail SINGLETRACK

6.30 Stay right/straight at "Y" intersection, staying on the contour, Mountain Pride Trail. SINGLETRACK

7.20 Mountain Pride Trail is a new alignment since 2018 and contours above the old millsite. SINGLETRACK

7.40 Turn left at "T" and downhill- Pinball Alley SINGLETRACK

7.65 Exit Pinball Alley merging onto dirt road, continue descending.

7.85 Straight at major 4-way intersection and keep descending. TWO-TRACK

8.25 Turn HARD RIGHT onto Baldy Road climb 50 feet and turn left onto "True Romance" and climb (roots)

8.35 Stay straight ignoring spur to right and go through rutted, muddy two track section TWO TRACK

8.45 Stay Straight at 3-way intersection and ride through gap in buck and rail fence.

8.55 Turn left down "Nightmare on Baldy". SINGLETRACK

9.55 Bottom of Nightmare at Sallie Barber Mine. Turn right onto Sallie Barber Road and descend.

10.75 At bottom of Sallie Barber Road ride through gap in gate, turn hard right onto "French Gulch Rd." and go through gap in another gate. DIRT ROAD.

11.20 AID STATION # 2 Wirepatch, site where Tom's Baby, largest Gold Nugget in Colorado History was found.

11.75 Ride 100 yards past the garage on your right and turn left at "Y". Begin one mile climb up "Little French Flume Trail".

SINGLETRACK

12.75 At top of climb, turn left just past cabin ruins and cross creek. SINGLETRACK

13.50 Bear left at "Y" onto the lower or southern piece of "Wire Patch Loop Trail" GH70 SINGLETRACK

14.00 Flume ends at "T", turn left onto dirt road, and descend short distance, through a gap in a gate, to major 5-way intersection. DIRT ROAD

14.10 You are at the top of Humbug Hill. Ignore downhill road options to the sharp left and sharp right. Instead, bear right, staying on main road (GH 66) "Lincoln Park Road".

14.35 Turn Left onto (GH 79) "Forest Queen Road" and descend

15.00 Turn Right onto (GH 66) "Lincoln Park Road"

15.10 Turn Left onto unmarked road that skirts edge of Lincoln Park

15.65 Turn Left and climb Spruce Road GH72. This is a climb that was in the original F50

15.95 Turn Left onto Harum Trail (marked with a brown carsonite post and the #12 on it)

16.00 Turn Right and descend Fuller Trail GH44

16.70 Halfway down Fuller Trail you will come to a two-track called Sidewinder GH25. Turn RIGHT

16.75 After turning right onto Sidewinder GH25 take IMMEDIATE LEFT and continue down lower half of Fuller Trail GH44

17.75 At bottom of Fuller Trail GH44 turn LEFT onto Draw Road GH25

18.65 Turn LEFT onto Extension Mill Road GH25 and climb

19.00 AID STATION #3 HERE on GH25 Extension Mill Road

19.10 Bear left at next fork onto Prospect Hill Road GH38. Cross an old Mine Tailings pile (usually a fire ring here)

19.30 Bear right and through a gap in a buck and rail fence onto Prospect Trail.

19.80 Turn left onto Sidedoor Trail

20.30 Ride across blonde colored mine tailings staying right and descend "Lower Minnie Mine Trail".

20.50 Turn left onto X10U8

21.00 Reiling Dredge Trailhead/Cross French Gulch Road to "Reiling Dredge Trail".

21.20 Reiling Dredge Trail turns into B&B Trail, descend

22.00 Turn left onto V3 Trail

22.80 At end of V3 Trail merge onto dirt road and ride uphill short distance

22.90 Turn right onto "Barney Ford Trail"

24.00 Barney Ford Trail ends at pavement. Cross pavement and descend Barney Flow Trail. SINGLETRACK

24.70 Continue descending on Carter Park Switchbacks. SINGLETRACK. Ride uphill of tennis courts onto paved parking area, make immediate left through gap in retaining wall and ride grass along eastern edge of dog park to the transition area.

25.00 Congratulations! You just finished one lap. If you are a Team member, stay right just after finish line. If you are a solo rider, stay left after finish and access the "Sunbeam Trail". Take Sunbeam Trail to Boreas Pass Road, turn left and have a good second lap!