

Upper Sand Prairie Loop

A flat 13-mile ride across a prairie and along the Mississippi

Take the Mississippi River Trail downstream to CR 30 (Hiawatha Drive) and turn left. In 3 miles, turn left on CR 24 to enter the Upper Mississippi Fish and Wildlife Refuge. The Peterson Lake boat landing offers river access, and the nearby restaurant offers food, drink and a river view. For a close-up look at Lock and Dam 4, go left on 652nd Street, then right on 140th Avenue, and look for Public Water Access signs on the left. Back on CR 24, continue to CR 30, and turn right to return to Wabasha.

Watch for turtle crossings, a distant eagle nest, twin antique silos, and a horsedrawn plow.

Miles: 14.08 Elev. Start/Max: 685/712 ft Total Gain: 216 ft



