

Paseo del Norte/South Domingo Baca Bike Trail, brief version

There is no parking at the east end of the trail, but there is parking nearby at the Little League park and at other parks and businesses along Tramway. Parking is available at the Railrunner's Los Ranchos/Journal Center station at El Pueblo Rd. between Edith Blvd. and Second Street. There's a large parking lot off Paseo del Norte between Rio Grande Blvd. and the river itself.

0.0/17.6 Miles This trail begins at the northwest corner of Tramway Blvd. and Paseo del Norte, descending to Tennyson St. Cross Tennyson and head up the brief slope.

0.6/17.0 Miles Cross Lowell Dr

1.1/16.5 Miles Cross Browning St.

1.6/16.0 Miles Cross Eubank Blvd., past Altamont Little League's baseball parks.

3.0/14.6 Miles Cross Ventura St.

3.7/13.9 Miles Arrive at Paseo del Norte and Barstow St. Turn south on Barstow for about 2 blocks. Turn west immediately after Barstow Park on the South Domingo Baca Arroyo portion of the trail.

4.2/13.4 Miles The trail crosses Wyoming Blvd. and its short bike trail.

4.3/13.3 Miles This trail passes Rancho de Palomas Park.

4.8/12.8 Miles Cross Louisiana Blvd., continuing to descend the south side of the South Domingo Baca Arroyo.

The intersection of Paseo del Norte and I-25 is too dangerous for bicycles at this point, and it appears as if the newly reconstructed interchange may not make things much safer. Therefore, we recommend the following detour to the south:

5.3/12.3 Miles Just beyond the small park over the bridge to E.G. Ross Elementary School, you arrive at San Pedro Blvd. Turn south here, following San Pedro beyond San Antonio Dr., where you turn west again on the Pino Arroyo Trail.

6.8/10.8 Miles Reach East Frontage Road of I-25. The trail extends north about 1/2 block to San Antonio Dr. Cross at the light and continue west along the south side of San Antonio Dr.

7.5/10.1 Miles Cross Jefferson St.; the road becomes Ellison St.; take the Ellison Street itself to where it becomes Washington St, takes a short jog east at Hawkins and continues as Washington St. to Rutledge Rd.

7.9/9.7 Miles Turn west at Rutledge Road; watch on the right (north) for the bike trail heading north and then west about 1 1/2 blocks west of Washington St.

8.3/ 9.3 Miles Turn north on the North Diversion Channel Trail.

9.0/8.6 Miles Cross to the north side of El Pueblo Road, where the Paseo del Norte Bike Trail resumes, heading west.

9.7/7.9 Miles Cross Edith Blvd., the trail heads up to an overpass above the train tracks, and past the Railrunner station. The trail crosses above Second Street on an overpass and below Fourth Street in a culvert, continuing along the south side of Paseo del Norte.

11.3/6.3 Miles Cross Rio Grande Blvd. to the intersection with the Paseo del Bosque bike trail 0.1 mile later. Continue east on the trail along the south edge of Paseo del Norte next to the eastbound traffic, but separated from it..

At the west side of the bridge, the bike trail curves south and then ends. Continue west on Canal Frontage Road, which heads west and then curves around to the south to Southwest Indian Polytechnic Institute Road. Turn west on SIPI Road for 1/2 block to Coors Blvd.

13.0/4.6 Miles Cross Coors at the light, traveling south in the bike lane to the next light at Eagle Ranch Road, where you make a sharp right turn to the northwest. Ascend Eagle Rock Rd. beyond Paseo del Norte to Paradise Blvd.

14.2/3.4 Miles Continue west along Paradise Blvd. to Universe Blvd. There are several discontinuous stretches of bike trail alongside Paradise Blvd. in this portion of the ride.

17.6/0.0 Miles The trail reaches the SE corner of the Ventana Ranch subdivision at Paradise Blvd. and Universe Blvd. and ends.