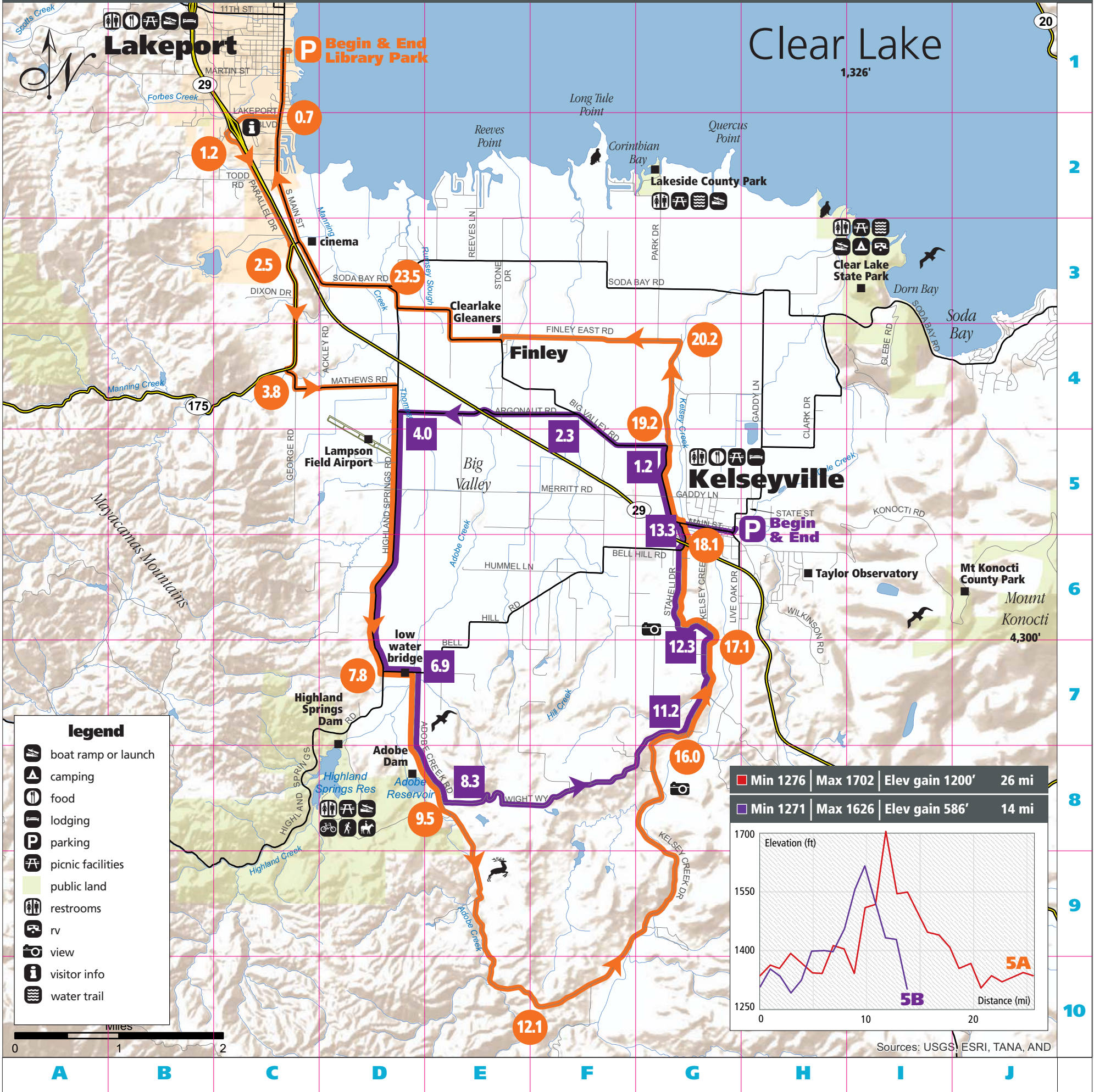


Lake County Bike Route 5: Kelseyville–Big Valley



Kelseyville-Big Valley | Ride: easy–moderate | Allow 2 – 3 hours

Route 5A | long 26 miles

- 0.0** **START** on 3rd St parking at Library Park in Lakeport. Turn LEFT on N Main St, passing bike shop on right.
- 0.7** Turn RIGHT on Lakeport Blvd. Pass shopping center on left.
- 1.2** Approach roundabout at “Hamburger Hill” and make LEFT on Parallel Dr.
- 2.5** Turn RIGHT on Hwy 175/Hopland Grade. Ride past several ranches on pleasant rolling terrain.
- 3.8** Turn LEFT on Matthews Rd just before vineyard on left. Caution crossing one-lane bridge. Gorgeous old walnut groves on right, vineyards on left.
- 5.0** Turn RIGHT on Highland Springs Rd. Pass airport on right at 5.7m on easy, level terrain dotted with vineyards and ranches.
- 7.8** Turn LEFT on Bell Hill Rd.
- 8.1** Turn RIGHT on Adobe Creek Rd which is rough but mostly level. Just after small walnut orchard on the right at 9.2m, pass dirt road leading to a locked gate with a sign prohibiting off-road vehicle activity. Stop here to view picturesque Adobe Reservoir from the dam.
- 9.5** Continue on Adobe Creek Rd, passing Wight Way (alternate route) on the left.

OPTION: Wight Way can be taken for a shorter, more level route (shaving ~3.5 miles off trip). However, proceed cautiously, as this is a narrow road with many blind corners.)

- 12.1** Adobe Creek becomes Kelsey Creek Rd which gently descends. After 13.0m, enter beautiful oak canyon. Cross narrow white bridge at 14.9m. More views of Mt Konocti across a broad meadow at 15.4m.
- 16.0** Turn RIGHT at stop sign to stay on Kelsey Creek Rd. This point intersects the eastern end of Wight Way.
- 17.1** When Kelsey Creek Dr bends to the right, continue STRAIGHT to get on Staheli Dr. At 17.3m, the road ascends, levels off and curves to the right past lovely vineyards.
- 18.1** Turn RIGHT to Bell Hill Rd. At the next stop sign, continue straight, proceeding cautiously across Hwy 29.
- 18.4** Turn LEFT on Big Valley Rd (turning right will lead you to Main St and quaint downtown Kelseyville). Pass Kelseyville Lumber on left. At stop sign, continue straight.
- 19.2** At stop sign, continue straight on Finley East Rd which turns sharply to the left at 20.2m.
- 22.2** Turn LEFT, and then make an immediate RIGHT on Big Valley Rd, passing Clearlake Gleaners Commodities on right. Big Valley makes several sharp turns.
- 23.2** Turn RIGHT toward Soda Bay Rd (a left turn will put you back on Highland Springs Rd).
- 23.5** Turn LEFT to Soda Bay Rd. Pass Lakeport Cinema on right at 24.4m. Soda Bay Rd becomes S Main St when you approach stop sign at 24.6m. Continue straight toward downtown Lakeport. Pass bike shop at NW corner of 1st and N Main St.
- 26.6** Turn RIGHT on 3rd St to return to the parking area.

Route 5B | short 14 miles

- 0.0** **START** at Kelseyville County Park. Turn LEFT out of the park, then an immediate RIGHT on Main St. Proceed straight past shops in quaint downtown Kelseyville. Cross bridge over Kelsey Creek. At 0.7m Kelseyville Lumber will be on left. Continue straight on Big Valley Rd.
- 1.2** Turn LEFT to stay on Big Valley (going straight will put you on Finley East Rd). At 1.6m, pass white mansion with red tiled roof on right.
- 2.3** At fork, bear LEFT to Argonaut Rd. At 2.9m, pass tast-ing room and picnic area on left. Continue straight past Thomas St intersection.
- 3.2** Proceed cautiously across Hwy 29.
- 4.0** Turn LEFT on Highland Springs Rd. Pass airport on right.
- 6.6** Turn LEFT on Bell Hill Rd.
- 6.9** Turn RIGHT on Adobe Creek Rd. Pass small ranches and vineyards. At 8.0m, pass small Adobe Reservoir on right.
- 8.3** Turn LEFT on Wight Way. Proceed cautiously as this is a nar-row, undulating road with many blind corners. Enjoy bucolic scenery of vineyards and ranches. At 9.1m, Wight makes a sharp left to a landscape of broad fields and ranches.
- 11.2** At stop, turn LEFT to Kelsey Creek Rd.
- 12.3** When Kelsey Creek Dr bends to the right, continue STRAIGHT to get on Staheli Dr. The road ascends, levels off, and at 12.6m, curves to the right with great views of Mt Konocti.
- 13.3** Turn RIGHT to Bell Hill Rd. At the next stop sign, continue straight, proceeding cautiously across Hwy 29. At the T-intersection, turn RIGHT to Main St.
- 14.0** Turn LEFT to State St, then RIGHT to return to park.

Cycling Safety Tips

protect yourself

Wear a properly-fitted helmet. By law, bicycle riders under 18 years of age must wear a bicycle helmet while riding on a public road.

ride with traffic, learn & follow the rules of the road

Bicycle riders on public roads have the same rights and responsibilities as motorists, and must obey the same rules and regulations. Yield to all pedestrians and horse riders, and take caution when passing horse trailers.

be conspicuous, alert & communicate your intentions

Ride carefully—vehicles waiting at stop signs, in driveways, or parking spaces may suddenly pull out in front of you. Be prepared to stop or take evasive action.

maintain control of your bicycle

Ensure your bicycle is in good working order by inspecting it regularly. Check your bike for tire pressure, chain, and brakes (close quick release wheel levers). Carry repair and emergency supplies.

More info: CA DMV Safety Tips for Bicyclists
www.dmv.ca.gov/pubs/brochures/fast_facts/ffd137.htm

bike shops

Main St. Bicycles

125 N Main St, Lakeport. 263-3344

Cycle Path Bike Shop

14106 Olympic Dr, Clearlake. 994-1200



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Kelseyville–Big Valley

Route Overview



Beginning in Lakeport, this easy-going 26-mile route takes riders south from Library Park on the shores of Clear Lake through Big Valley’s farmland in Kelseyville. Riders will enjoy scenic views of vineyards and orchards including walnuts, pears, olives, and other crops. Cyclists coast over gentle, rolling hills near Adobe Reservoir, along scenic, shaded Kelsey Creek Canyon, then head north to the charming country town of Kelseyville with Mount Konocti as a backdrop. There they can grab refreshments at the local cafes before heading back to Lakeport along Finley Road, leading to Soda Bay Road and back to Main Street in Lakeport.



An abbreviated, 14-mile loop begins and ends at Kelseyville County Park. Cycling west towards Big Valley, the shorter segment reconnects at Highland Springs Road. Riders will enjoy scenic views as the grasslands, orchards, and vineyards provide a rich tapestry of patterns and colors.

The loop circles off at Wight Way, passing the Highland Springs Equestrian Center on the left, which offers hiking and horse trails (day use fees), riding lessons, and boarding. Further down, riders enjoy vistas of open fields, vineyards, and working ranches, reconnecting again at Kelsey Creek Drive and back to the County park. The last stretch offers outstanding views of Mount Konocti.

Many recreational areas and points of interest listed at the right also offer riders rest stops (or a jump in the water at Highland Springs Reservoir) while exploring and enjoying Lake County’s fertile agricultural region.



The Konocti Challenge

(707) 349-0815 | www.konocitchallenge.com

The Konocti Challenge is a one-of-a-kind cycling experience and adventure for cyclists of all ages and ability levels!

Originally organized as “Pedal the Puddle” in 1990, the popular annual event is held the first Saturday of October. There are 4 routes to choose from, ranging from 20 to 100 mile loops, all including extensive SAG support, an end-of-ride BBQ on the lake shore, and entertaining rest stop antics by local non-profit organizations. Participants can ride through vineyards and pear orchards, face a challenging 5,000 foot elevation climb, or have a relaxing family fun ride along the shores of Clear Lake.

All proceeds benefit the local and international projects of the Rotary Club of Lakeport. For details & registration, visit the website.

Konocti Regional Trails

The Konocti Regional Trails System (KRT) is a network of trails and community pathways on and around Clear Lake which: 1) highlights the region’s outstanding scenic beauty, diverse wildlife, natural landscapes, and cultural history; 2) enhances the visitor experience by providing an opportunity for recreation and appreciation of these unique assets; and 3) promotes community health and economic vitality throughout the region.

Named for Lake County’s iconic Mt. Konocti, KRT is a series of non-motorized trails designed to establish connections between major recreational destinations and communities. Outdoor enthusiasts of all ages and interests will find opportunities for hiking, biking, horseback riding, backpacking and paddling.

For more information, visit KonocitiTrails.com

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Places of Interest

parks and open space

- **Library Park**, 1st and 3rd St on Clear Lake, Lakeport. Picnic/BBQs, playground, beach, boat launch ramps, yacht club. Free summer concert series. 263-5615. **C-1**
- **Highland Springs Recreation Area**, 3600 E Highland Springs Rd, Lakeport, 95453. 3,200-acre recreation area including a reservoir, swim beach, disc golf course, picnic area, BBQs, restrooms, horseshoe pits. Paddling, fishing, birding; hiking, equestrian and bike trails. 263-2341. **D-8**
- **Clear Lake State Park**, 5300 Soda Bay Rd, Kelseyville, 95451. Open year-round. Day use fee. Land and water activities. Camping, visitor center, boat launch. 279-4293/279-2267. **I-3**
- **Lakeside County Park**, 1985 Park Dr, Lakeport, 95453. 53-acre county park with BBQ, fishing, lake swimming, picnic area, bird watching, restrooms, sports field, dogs on leash, kayaking, boat launch. 262-1618. **G-2**
- **Kelseyville County Park**, 5270 State St, Kelseyville, 95451. 3-acre county park with BBQ, basketball court, covered picnic area, playground, sports field, and restrooms. 262-1618. **H-5**
- **Mt Konocti County Park**, Konocti Rd, Kelseyville. 1,520 acres. Hiking, picnicking, historical cabin, ancient Canyon oak grove. Docent tours and CDF tower access available by reservation at various times of the year. 262-1618. **J-6**

local activities

- **Lake County Water Trails**—Volcanic Vents of Soda Bay #5 and Long Tule Point #6. Two paddling trails launching from Clear Lake State Park and Lakeside County Park, exploring the Clear Lake shoreline. KonocitiTrails.com. **I-3** and **G-2**
- **Farm Trails, Vineyards, Wineries and more**—The Kelseyville area is home to a wide range of agritourism operations, from family farms stands and seasonal farmers’ markets (summer only) to farm and ranch tours. Walnuts, pears, other fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers. The county also holds numerous outdoors, food & wine, art, music, and cultural events all throughout the year. View the calendar on lakecounty.com

For more maps, information and descriptions on outdoor activities such as hiking, biking, paddling and horseback riding, visit the KRT Website at konocitrails.com and lakecounty.com

note

All phone numbers area code (707) unless otherwise listed.

NOTE: Because the loop follows many roads along vineyards and orchards, riders should be aware that crop spraying is done periodically.

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Konocti Regional Trails

Kelseyville-Big Valley

14 & 26 miles | Elevation gain: 586 and 1200 ft
Route begins: downtown Lakeport or Kelseyville

- **Pastoral country setting**
- **Rolling hills**
- **Rich vineyard soils**
- **Views of Mount Konocti**

Lake County Visitor Information Center

875 Lakeport Blvd., Lakeport, CA 95453
(707) 263-5092 | (800) 525-3743
lakecounty.com | info@lakecounty.com

The KRT Bike Routes

The Konocti Regional Trails Bike Routes are a series of diverse cycling experiences ranging in activity level from short, moderate trips to rugged, long-range climbs. Each of the routes takes cyclists through some of Lake County’s most scenic vistas—from outstanding lake views and mountainous backdrops to rural farmlands and shaded forests.

1: Konocti Challenge | 102 miles

2: Around the Lake | 66 miles

3: Konocti 40 | 40 miles

4: Scotts Valley | 32 miles

5: Kelseyville-Big Valley | 14 & 26 miles

6: Bottle Rock-Soda Bay | 38 miles

7: Red Hills-Lakeview | 25 miles

8: Cobb: Mountain Bike | 15 miles

9: Big Canyon-Middletown | 8–33 miles

10: Guenoc-Berryessa | 69–81 miles

11: Clearlake-Lower Lake | 29 miles

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