

Route Color:  
Red



AM Rest Stop #1

AM Rest Stop #2

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# Day 7

September 15th, 2018

58.4 Miles

2,348 Vertical Feet

Start

Lakeview Restaurant and Campground

AM Rest Stop #1

Madawaska Lake Boat Launch  
(22.4 mi)

AM Rest Stop #2

Moir Farm  
(34.8 mi)

Finish & Lunch

Bicentennial Park  
(58.4 mi)



## Route Description

The last morning of BikeMaine 2018 begins with a beautiful ride along the western shore of Long Lake and through the town of Guerette, which is nestled alongside the eastern shore of Cross Lake. Heading southeast, we pedal through St. Etropus Cemetery (where we'll have the road to ourselves!) and enjoy some rolling hills as we approach the north-eastern shore of Madawaska Lake. From there, we continue riding southeast to New Sweden, a Swedish colony established in 1870, Caribou, and back to where we started . . . Presque Isle, Maine, where a farewell luncheon awaits.

## Natural Points of Interest

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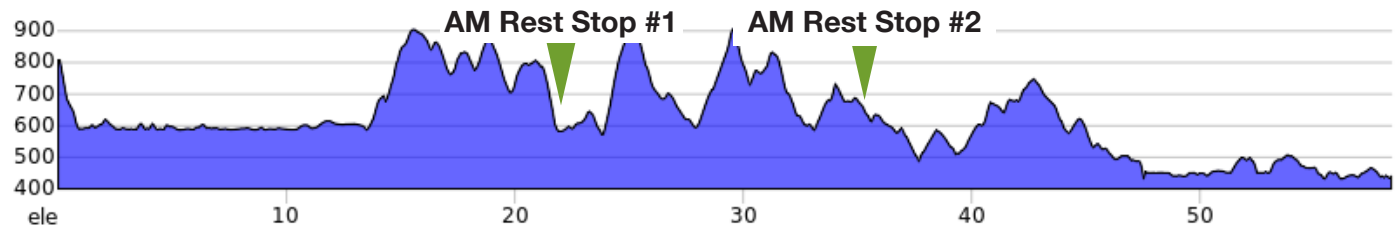
**Route 161 Wildlife Connectivity:** Heavily trafficked roads can be a significant barrier to wildlife mobility, causing animal mortality and human safety concerns. In fact, Aroostook County has the highest incidents of car-moose collisions in the state—by far. In this area, the Maine Department of Transportation has installed moose crossing signs equipped with lights that flash automatically when a car approaches, alerting drivers that they are in an area of high wildlife concentration. Groups like The Nature Conservancy strive to model, test, and protect key crossing areas to maintain regional and local connections for wildlife.

**Washburn Dam Removal:** In 2014, the Town of Washburn worked with the Maine Department of Environmental Protection, The Nature Conservancy and other partners to remove a dam they owned on Salmon Brook, a significant tributary of the Aroostook River. The project relieved occasional flooding of upstream properties and opened 17 miles of historical Atlantic salmon and brook trout habitat that had been inaccessible to migrating fish since the late 1800s. In this way, the town reduced its liability while benefitting the river ecosystem.

**Aroostook River:** The Aroostook River-Washburn to Presque Isle Focus Area includes the river, multiple islands scattered throughout its meandering channel, and the adjacent floodplains. The combination of natural communities, rare plants and rare animals in such close proximity to one another make this section of the Aroostook River an important area for focusing conservation attention.

Num	Dist	Prev	Type	Note	Next
1.	0.0	0.0	▶	Start of route	0.1
2.	0.1	0.1	➔	R onto Flat Mountain Rd	0.3
3.	0.4	0.3	➔	R onto ME-162 S	8.6
4.	9.0	8.6	➔	R onto Sinclair Road	4.0
5.	13.0	4.0	←	L onto ME-161 S	8.3
6.	21.3	8.3	➔	R onto Lake Shore Dr	1.1
7.	22.4	1.1	🍴	#1 AM REST STOP	0.3
8.	22.7	0.3	➔	R onto ME-161 S	11.8
9.	34.5	11.8	➔	R onto Brown Rd	0.3
10.	34.8	0.3	🍴	#2 AM REST STOP	1.9
11.	36.8	1.9	➔	R onto ME-228 W	0.5
12.	37.2	0.5	←	L onto Thibodeau Rd	2.3
13.	39.5	2.3	➔	R onto ME-164 S	7.9
14.	47.3	7.9	➔	R onto Castle Hill Rd	0.3
15.	47.6	0.3	←	L onto Parson St	9.3
16.	56.9	9.3	➔	Slight R onto Parsons Rd Connector	0.4
17.	57.3	0.4	↑	Continue onto Parson St	0.7
18.	58.0	0.7	↑	Continue onto State St	0.1
19.	58.1	0.1	➔	R onto Riverside Dr	0.2
20.	58.4	0.2	🚩	End of route	0.0

## Elevation Profile



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