

# IOWA CITY METRO AREA TRAILS MAP

Iowa City, Coralville, North Liberty, Tiffin, University Heights, Johnson County, University of Iowa



There are more than 100 miles of off-street multi-use trails and sidewalks in Johnson County that contribute to an active transportation network. These bikeways, along with on-street facilities, such as bike lanes and sharrows, provide safe and efficient routes for commuting and recreation.

The Metropolitan Planning Organization of Johnson County (MPOJC) works to coordinate transportation planning within the urbanized area of Johnson County. MPOJC's Regional Trails and Bicycling Committee (RTBC) brings together representatives from Iowa City, Coralville, North Liberty, University Heights, Tiffin, Johnson County, and the University of Iowa to recommend improvements to the trail network and for other programs and policies to enhance bicycle and pedestrian safety. MPOJC assists member communities with grant applications for state and federal funds to extend and improve pedestrian and bike facilities.

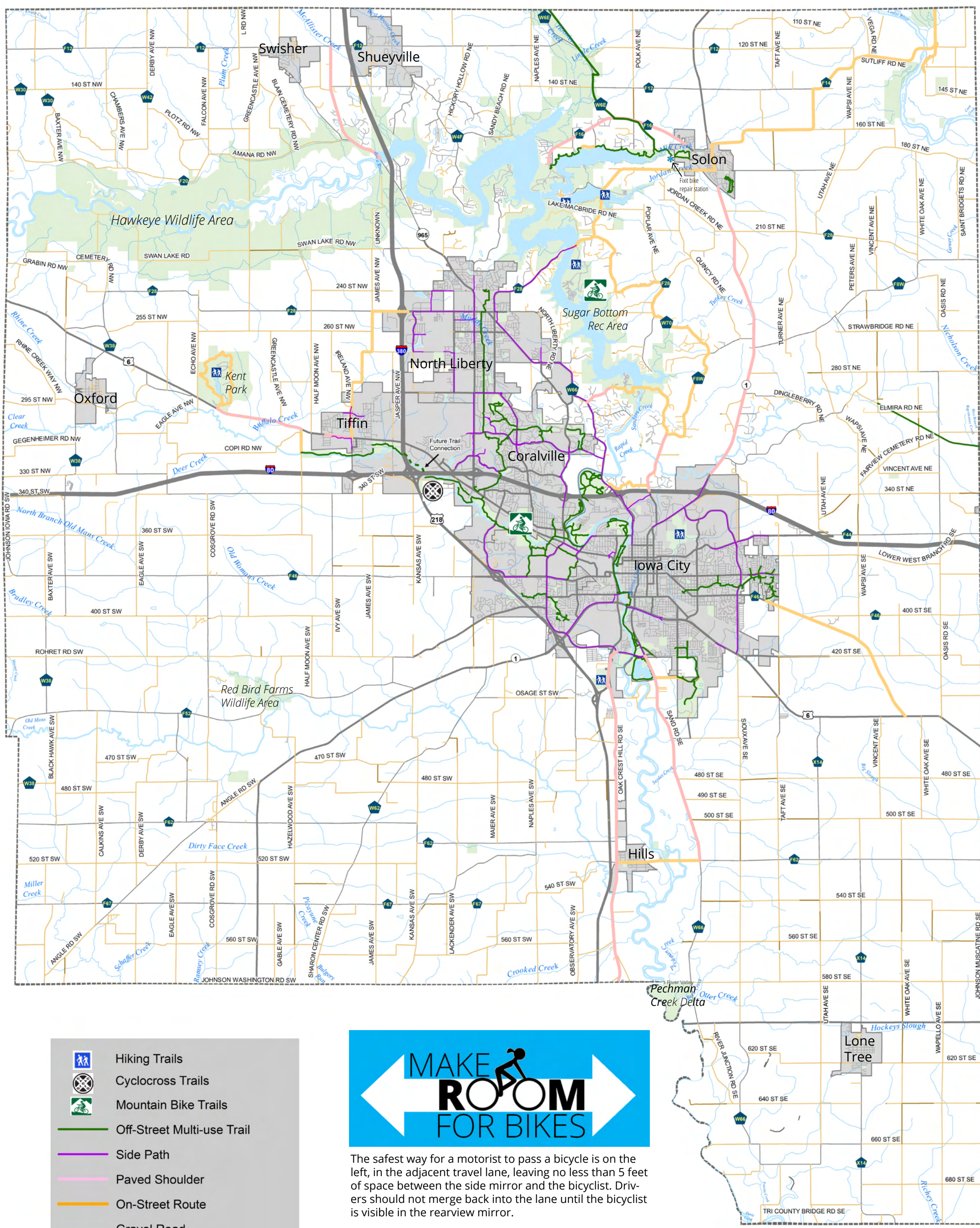
## Bike Friendly Trail Etiquette

- **Ride or walk on the right side of the trail.**  
When in a group or with pets, use no more than half the trail. When stopping, move as far to the right as you can or off the trail where appropriate.
- **Pass on the left.**  
Alert those you are passing by ringing your bell or simply saying "passing on your left" as you approach.
- **Ride at a reasonable speed and yield to slower traffic.**
- **Be cautious when crossing driveways, streets, sidewalks, other trails, or railroad tracks.**
- **Obey all traffic laws and signs.**

COVER PHOTO: Courtesy of the Iowa City Bike Library and Think Bicycles of Johnson County. The Overdue Ride is a weekly, casual bike ride that explores various trails and bicycle friendly routes in the Iowa City Metro area. These one-hour slow rides are an ideal way for riders to improve their comfort level and familiarity with the bicycle network and a great way to meet people. All ages are welcome. Find out more on their Facebook page.

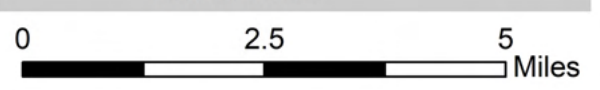
# RURAL ROUTES

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	Hiking Trails
	Cyclocross Trails
	Mountain Bike Trails
	Off-Street Multi-use Trail
	Side Path
	Paved Shoulder
	On-Street Route
	Gravel Road
	Dirt Road
	Paved Road

The safest way for a motorist to pass a bicycle is on the left, in the adjacent travel lane, leaving no less than 5 feet of space between the side mirror and the bicyclist. Drivers should not merge back into the lane until the bicyclist is visible in the rearview mirror.



- Johnson County Downtown Administrative Campus
- City of Iowa City
- Iowa City Downtown Campus
- The University of Iowa
- City of Coralville
- City of University Heights





## BICYCLE FACILITIES

**Multi-Use Trail:** Off-street paved trails provide routes with a reduced number of street crossings or encounters with motor vehicle traffic. Trails are shared by bicyclists, pedestrians, and other non-motorized users.

**Sidepath:** Paved multi-use paths that are part of the street right-of-way, running parallel to the roadway. Sidepaths have a limited number of driveway crossings. These facilities are shared by bicycles, pedestrians, and other non-motorized users.

**Wide Sidewalk:** As the name indicates, these are typically 8-10 foot sidewalks where bicycling may be permitted but where the number or frequency of driveways require bicyclists to ride with a greater degree of caution. Bicycling in the street may be preferred for experienced bicyclists.

**Bike Lane:** A marked portion of a roadway, designated for exclusive use by bicyclists. Metro area bike lanes are for one-way travel only.

**Marked Shared Lane (Sharrow):** Sharrows are pavement markings used along main routes for bicyclists and alert motorists to the presence of bicyclists where there is not adequate space for a bike lane. The travel lane is shared by motor vehicles and bicycles.

**Paved Shoulder:** Roadways with areas of pavement just outside the regular travel lane. Paved shoulders may be used by bicyclists similar to a bike lane but may also accommodate stopped vehicles, emergency use, and pedestrians. For the purpose of this map, paved shoulders are indicated only along rural roadways.

**On-Street Route:** Convenient routes for commuting or recreation. These routes are popular among experienced bicyclists but may include no special facilities, such as dedicated lanes, shared lane markings (sharrows), or paved shoulders.

## FACILITY DESCRIPTIONS

### HARD SURFACE FACILITIES

#### IOWA RIVER TRAIL

18.2 miles (north-south)  
Iowa City-Coralville-North Liberty  
End Points: Terry Trueblood Recreation Area in south Iowa City to Mehaffey Bridge Road, southwest of Lake MacBride Recreation Area.  
Water/Restrooms: Terry Trueblood Recreation Area and City Park.

#### NORTH RIDGE - NORTH LIBERTY TRAIL

6.6 miles (north-south)  
Coralville-North Liberty  
End Points: Highway 6 in Coralville north to Penn Street in North Liberty.  
Water/Restrooms: North Ridge Park.

#### COURT HILL TRAIL

2.25 miles (east-west)  
East Iowa City  
End Points: Seventh Avenue Court to Windsor Ridge Neighborhood.  
Water/Restrooms: Court Hill Park south of Friendship Street and west of Brookside Drive.

#### CLEAR CREEK TRAIL

9 miles (east-west)  
West Iowa City-Coralville / Tiffin  
End Points: Mormon Trek Blvd to Deer Creek Rd, just south of the I-80/I-380 interchange. Tiffin Section: Hwy 218 to the Tiffin Baseball, Softball, Soccer Complex.  
Water/Restrooms: Tom Harkin Trailhead located off Camp Cardinal Boulevard.

#### WILLOW CREEK TRAIL

2.0 miles (east-west)  
West Iowa City  
End Points: Melrose Ave to Willow Creek Dr/Hwy 1.  
Water/Restrooms: Willow Creek Park.

#### SYCAMORE GREENWAY TRAIL

2.0 miles (north-south)  
Southeast Iowa City  
End Points: Lakeside Drive to Kickers Soccer Park.  
Water/Restrooms: Kickers Soccer Park (seasonal weekends only).

#### MUDDY CREEK TRAIL

1.75 miles (east-west)  
Coralville  
Destinations: Wickham Elementary, Coralville Youth Sports Complex, Oakdale Campus.  
Water/Restrooms: Coralville Youth Sports Complex.

#### HWY 6 AND HWY 1 SIDEPATHS

2.5 miles (east-west)  
Iowa City  
End Points: Hollywood Blvd to the Iowa River Trail and Orchard to Sunset St. 2019 extension to Mormon Trek Blvd.

### NATURAL SURFACE BIKE TRAILS

#### WOODPECKER (CLEAR CREEK) SINGLETRACK TRAIL

5.9 miles  
Coralville  
Just east of the Tom Harkin Trailhead on Clear Creek Trail, east of Camp Cardinal Blvd.

#### CREEKSIDE CROSS

2.6 miles  
Coralville  
Johnson County's first and only cyclocross park is located just west of the Coralville Creekside Ballpark.

#### SUGAR BOTTOM SINGLETRACK

13 miles  
Sugar Bottom Recreation Area, east of North Liberty.  
Iowa's premier mountain bike trail system.

### FIXIT BIKE REPAIR STATIONS:

**Near Downtown Iowa City**  
Johnson County Admin Bldg; near Kirkwood Avenue. Robert A Lee Rec Bldg; at rear entrance. New Pioneer Co-op; at Van Buren and Washington Streets. Ped Mall; at College & Clinton Streets.

**Other locations in Iowa City**  
Creekside Park  
Terry Trueblood Recreation Area; Near H2O boat rental and south parking area.

**Coralville**  
Clear Creek Trail; Harkin Trailhead, off Camp Cardinal Blvd. Creekside Cyclocross; near Coralville Softball Complex. Coralville Youth Sports Complex; off Dempster Drive. Iowa River Power and Light; near the gazebo. Northridge Park; near Northridge Pavilion. Northridge Trail; near University Parkway. Iowa River Landing; at IRL Place & 2nd Avenue

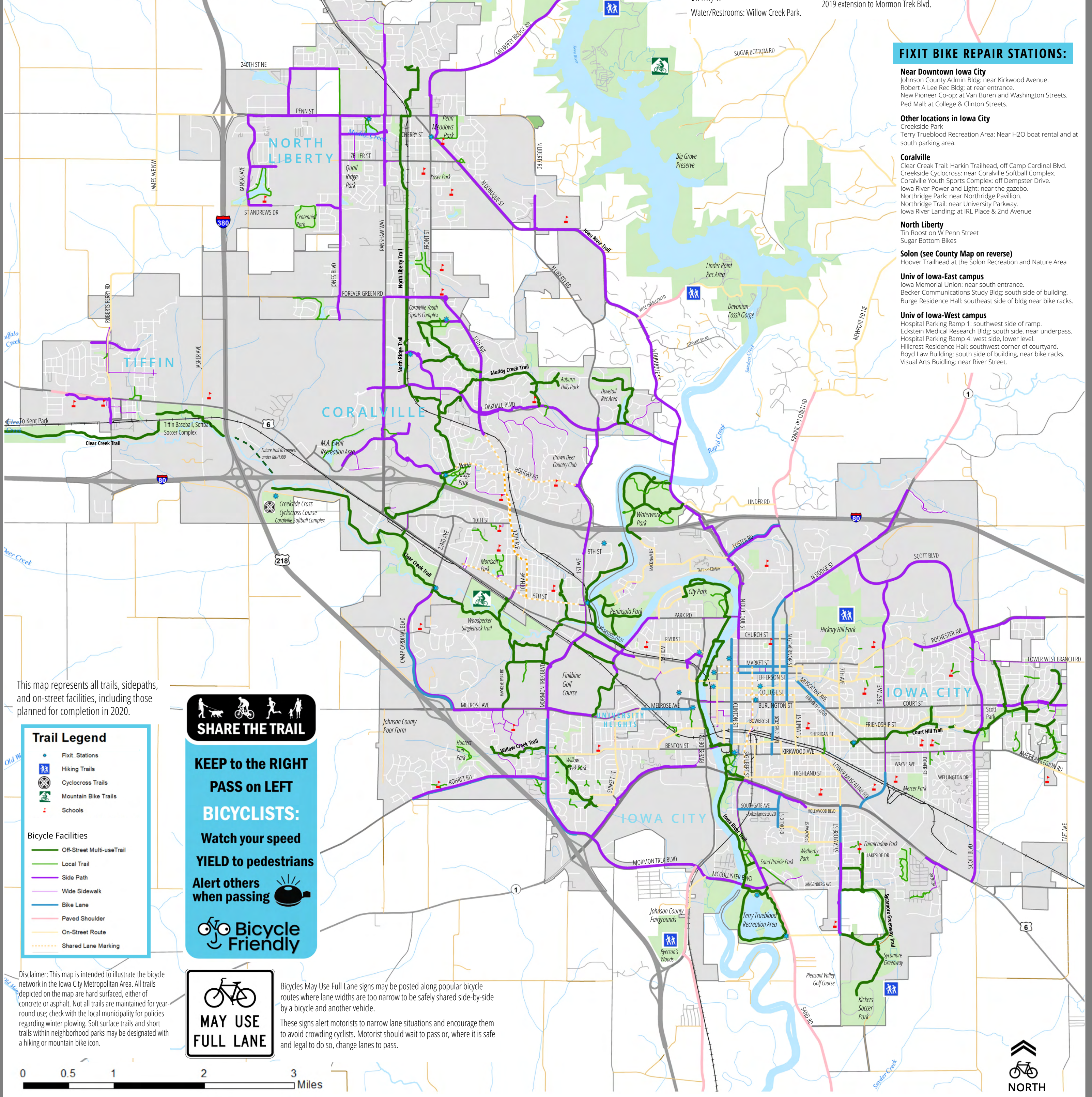
**North Liberty**  
Tin Roost on W Penn Street  
Sugar Bottom Bikes

**Solon (see County Map on reverse)**  
Hoover Trailhead at the Solon Recreation and Nature Area

**Univ of Iowa-East campus**  
Iowa Memorial Union; near south entrance. Becker Communications Study Bldg; south side of building. Burge Residence Hall; southeast side of bldg near bike racks.

**Univ of Iowa-West campus**  
Hospital Parking Ramp 1; southwest side of ramp. Eckstein Medical Research Bldg; south side, near underpass. Hospital Parking Ramp 4; west side, lower level. Hillcrest Residence Hall; southwest corner of courtyard. Boyd Law Building; south side of building, near bike racks. Visual Arts Building; near River Street.

# METRO ROUTES



This map represents all trails, sidepaths, and on-street facilities, including those planned for completion in 2020.

### Trail Legend

- Fixit Stations
- Hiking Trails
- Cyclocross Trails
- Mountain Bike Trails
- Schools

### Bicycle Facilities

- Off-Street Multi-use Trail
- Local Trail
- Side Path
- Wide Sidewalk
- Bike Lane
- Paved Shoulder
- On-Street Route
- Shared Lane Marking

**SHARE THE TRAIL**

**KEEP to the RIGHT**

**PASS on LEFT**

**BICYCLISTS:**

**Watch your speed**

**YIELD to pedestrians**

**Alert others when passing**

**Bicycle Friendly**

**MAY USE FULL LANE**

Bicycles May Use Full Lane signs may be posted along popular bicycle routes where lane widths are too narrow to be safely shared side-by-side by a bicycle and another vehicle. These signs alert motorists to narrow lane situations and encourage them to avoid crowding cyclists. Motorist should wait to pass or, where it is safe and legal to do so, change lanes to pass.

Disclaimer: This map is intended to illustrate the bicycle network in the Iowa City Metropolitan Area. All trails depicted on the map are hard surfaced, either of concrete or asphalt. Not all trails are maintained for year-round use; check with the local municipality for policies regarding winter plowing. Soft surface trails and short trails within neighborhood parks may be designated with a hiking or mountain bike icon.

