



## **Moose Loop Directions**

Please also refer to an <u>interactive google map</u> of the Moose Loop @ AnchorageParkFoundation.org The Moose Loop is also found on the following APPS: STRAVA, Ride with GPS, Avenza, Trailforks

Each Trail has Mile Marker Posts every half mile with Emergency Locators

- Tony Knowles Coastal Trail is 10.5 miles
- Campbell Creek Trail is 7.5 miles
- Ship Creek Trail is 2.5 miles
- Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail is 6 miles
- City streets connect these trails together to form the Moose Loop

## Moose Loop directions clockwise from Westchester Lagoon/Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park 1824 W 15<sup>th</sup> Ave

- Follow the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail north. You will be starting near Mile Post 1.5 and the posts will descend every half mile until it intersects 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue at Mile Post 0.0.
- Take 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue east to your first stop sign at Christensen Drive.
- Head north (left) on Christensen Drive past the Alaska Railroad Station. At the first stop sign turn left on North C Street and cross the railroad tracks. Keep going until you reach Ship Creek to start at the 0.0 Ship Creek Trail Mile Marker Post.
- Take the Ship Creek Trail the full 2.5 miles (pass the William G Hernandez sport fish hatchery sign) to the Mountain View neighborhood where you will see a big Ship Creek Trail sign.
- Head up the hill on Richmond Street. Tyson Elementary School will be on your left. Turn left on Meyer St. at the stop sign at the top of the hill, then take your first right onto Peterkin Bike Boulevard.
- Follow Peterkin Bike Boulevard until it dead ends into Louie G. Mizelle Park. Don't miss the Welcome to Mountain View mural by Alaska artist Andrew Garcia.
- Safely cross Bunn Street to head east on Mountain View Drive. Pass the Holiday Gas Station (there are outdoor portapotties here). Mt. View Lions Park will be on your left.
- At the crosswalk take a right and head South on McCarrey Street, which turns into Pine Street Bike Boulevard. Stay on Pine Street.
- Option: When you see the Polar Bear you are at Russian Jack Springs Park. In the summer there are portapotties at this park. If you know the trails in the park, take a detour and follow the lighted loop trails until you get to the bridge over northern Lights. They are beautiful but can be tricky if you haven't been there before.
- Keep south on Pine. Go straight pass DeBarr and get on a connector trail on the east side of the road that takes you past Russian Jack Elementary School and East High and on an overpass over Northern Lights Blvd where you intersect with the Chester Creek Trail.
- Take a left (east) on the Chester Creek Trail to a trail intersection where you will take a right and head toward University Lake.

- At University Lake the Chester Creek Trail ends at Mile 6.0 and you start on the Campbell Creek Trail at Mile Marker 7.5. (*Note: There are some older mile markers on this part of the trail that have odd miles ignore them*). Proceed in descending order on the Campbell Creek Trail Mile Marker posts over the bridge at Tudor Road just past Alaska Native Medical Center.
- Pro Tip: Most of the Campbell Creek Trail has a striped line down the center. That is the main path so stick with the stripes to avoid the neighborhood on and off ramps.
- The trickiest crossing on the Campbell Creek Trail is at Lake Otis Parkway, which is the equivalent of mile 5.5 on the Campbell Creek Trail. In the summer there are portapotties at Campbell Creek Park. When you arrive at the Park at the Intersection of Lake Otis, look across the street and you will see 47<sup>th</sup> Court. That's where you are headed. The safest route is to take a left on the sidewalk and make your way ¼ mile down to the pedestrian crossing at 50<sup>th</sup> Ave/Waldron Drive, cross at the light and come back up to 47<sup>th</sup> Court to get back on the Campbell Creek Trail. You will pass the Mile Marker 5.0 at the end of 47<sup>th</sup> Court.
- Continue the Campbell Creek Trail. You will pass a few restaurant and adult beverage opportunities. Peanut Farm, The Arctic Roadrunner and Turnagain Brewing Company are all sponsors of the Moose Loop, and we encourage your business!
- After Taku Lake Park, continue the Campbell Creek Trail past the C Street Exit and the Minnesota Exit and then stay right just past the .5-mile marker to 88<sup>th</sup> Avenue. At 88<sup>th</sup> head toward Dimond High School. You will now be on city streets until you get to Kincaid Park where you will access the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail.
- Follow 88<sup>th</sup> Ave across Jewel Lake Road to Jewel Terrace just before 88<sup>th</sup> dead ends at Jewel Lake Park.
- Take Jewel Terrace south to Dimond Blvd. Follow Dimond to Sand Lake Rd Bike Path which is on the east side of the road.
- Take Sand Lake Road Bike Path to Raspberry Road. Head west on Raspberry Road Bike Path, which is on the southside of the road. Take this path to Kincaid Park Chalet.
- At Kincaid Park Chalet you can access the 10.5-mile Tony Knowles Coastal Trail. There is a bathroom and a portapotty at Kincaid. You will also find Yeti Dogs, another of our Moose Loop sponsors, selling hotdogs. You will love them!
- Take the Tony Knowles Coastal Trail north back to where you started at Westchester Lagoon.
- Congratulations! You completed the 33-mile Moose Loop!

## Best Places to Park to Start the Moose Loop:

- Westchester Lagoon/Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park 1824 W 15<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage (Tony Knowles Coastal Trail and Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail)
- Kincaid Park Chalet, 9401 Raspberry Rd, Anchorage (Tony Knowles Coastal Trail)
- Taku Lake Park, 100 E 76<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Anchorage (Campbell Creek Trail)
- Russian Jack Springs Park Polar Bear Playground, 801 Pine Street (Bike Boulevard near Lanie Fleischer Chester Creek Trail)
- Tyson Elementary School, 2801 Richmond Avenue (Ship Creek Trail)