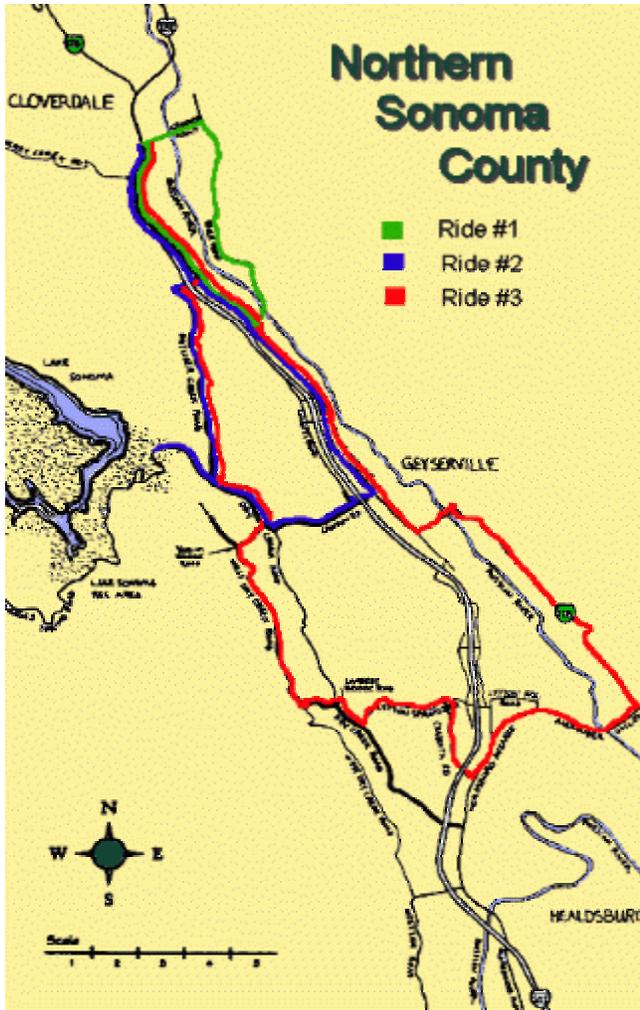


Bicycling in Sonoma County

The map below outlines three great loop-rides leaving from downtown Cloverdale.



Ride #1 - 10 miles

Leave Cloverdale heading east on First Street. Turn right on River Road until you cross the Russian River at the Summer Bridge (It's only in place during the summer). Go for a swim, enjoy a picnic lunch and prepare for a short but steep climb up Washington School Road. Take a right when you reach the top and follow Asti Road back to Cloverdale.

Ride #2 - 25 miles

Rolling hills for about 2 hours...Head south on Cloverdale Blvd until it becomes Dutcher Creek Road; follow this road to a dead end at Dry Creek Road. Take a right and you're a couple of miles from Lake Sonoma Visitors Center. Tour the Fish Hatchery, check out the wildlife exhibits and displays; also feed the fish, or yourself at the picnic area. OR... Take the left at Dry Creek Road and continue until you reach Canyon Road. This road ends at Highway 101 at Geysers Peak Winery. Pass under the freeway, hang a left, and it's due North back home.

Ride #3 - 50 miles

This 3-4 hour trek heads South from Cloverdale via the east side of the freeway frontage road (Asti Road). Continue to Geyserville where you turn left at Highway 128. Enjoy the gently rolling landscape and turn right on Alexander Valley Road across the Russian River until you reach Healdsburg Avenue. Hang a left, go past Simi Winery. Look for Chiquita Road on your right. This road is a well kept secret (sorry Fred!) and connects to Lytton Springs Road. Now turn left and go past the airport, and you'll be zooming down to a right turn at Dry Creek Road and a great food/drink spot at the General Store. Refreshed? Good! Because it's open house at some of Sonoma County's best wineries. Head down Lambert Bridge Road and hang a right on West Dry Creek Road and right on Dutcher Creek Road which soon becomes Cloverdale Blvd. You'll sleep well tonight!