



For more information on biking in the Fairbanks Area, visit www.fairbanksbicycleclub.org. For more information about planned bike facility improvements, visit www.fmat5.alaska.gov.

Bike Map Comments? Contact FMATS at 459-6786 or email djgardino@ci.fairbanks.ak.us. Last updated September, 2010.

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BIKEWAYS
FAIRBANKS, NORTH POLE, & VICINITY



BIKE AND RIDE

Coupling your bicycle and bus commute can afford greater connectivity and access and reduce wait times. Simply secure your bike on the racks mounted in the front of all MACS buses and RIDE! The racks, which carry two standard two-wheel bikes, are available on a first come, first serve basis.

For more information, call (907) 459-1011.



HOW TO LOAD/UNLOAD YOUR BIKE

Prepare your bike to load before the bus approaches. All loose items should be removed from the bicycle. When the bus arrives, notify the bus operator before loading the bicycle. For safety reasons the bus operator cannot get off the bus to assist you.

The use of bike locks on bus bike racks is prohibited. It is recommended that the cyclist sit near the front of the bus to keep an eye on the bicycle.

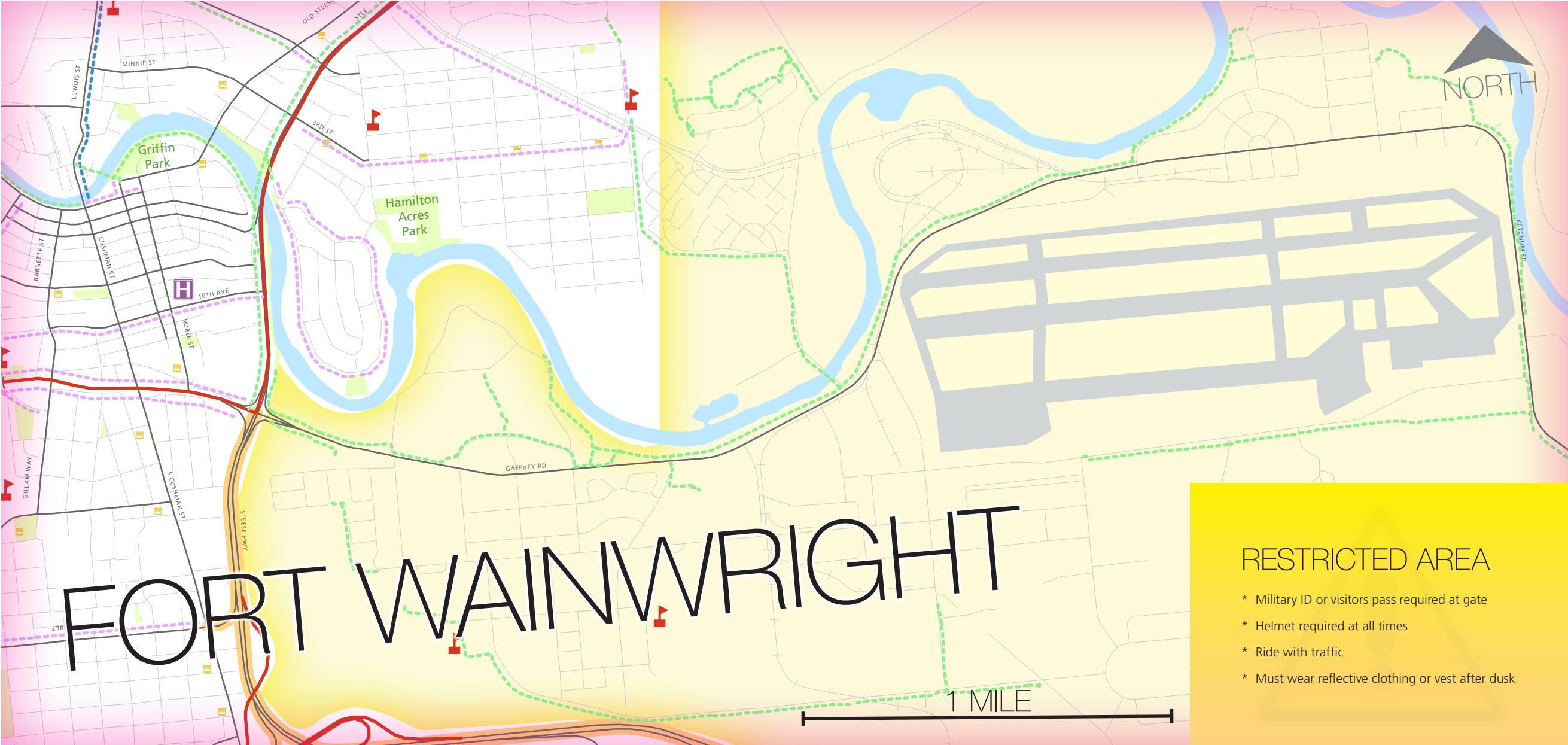
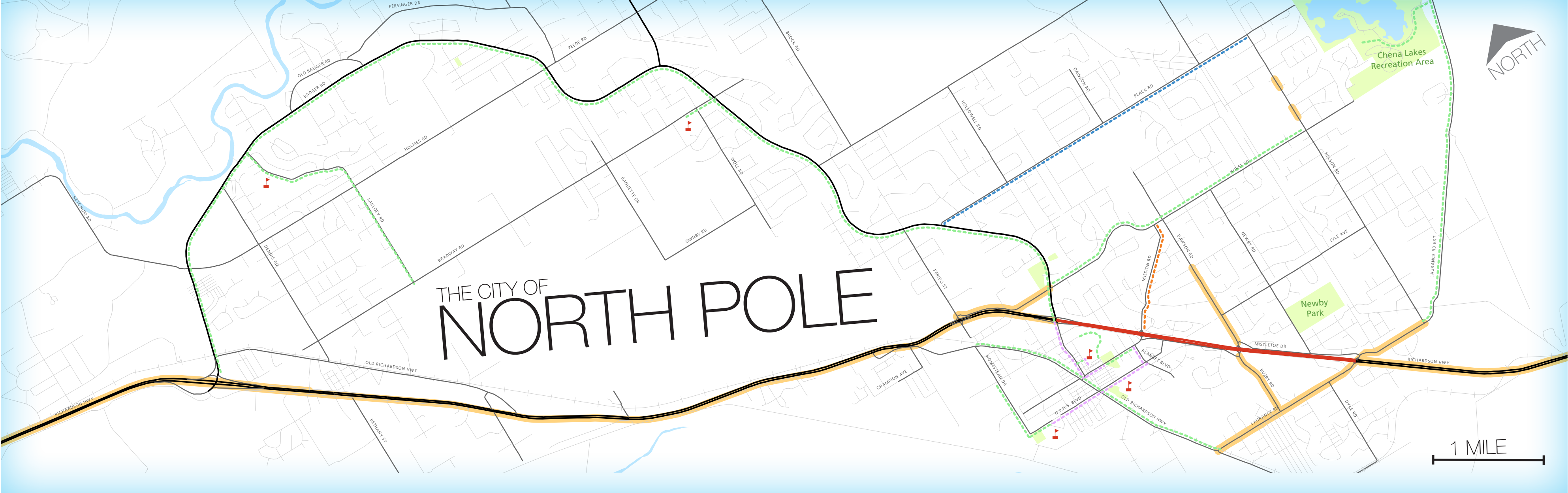
LOADING

- * Hold bike with one hand and with the other, pull down to release the folded bike rack
- * Lift bike onto the rack, fitting the wheels into the slots
- * Raise and release the support arm over the top of the front tire, not on the fender or frame
- * Board the bus and notify the bus operator as you approach your stops.



UNLOADING

- * Raise the support arm off the tire and move the support arm out of the way
- * Lift your bike out of the rack
- * Always fold up the bike rack if there is no other bike on it



FAIRBANKS TRAFFIC LAWS AND CYCLING RULES

- * You can register your bike with the Fairbanks City Police Department for \$1.00. The Police will notify you if someone steals your bike and it is turned in.
- * Cyclists must observe signs indicating "no right, left or U-turns".
- * Bikes must be operated on road as near to right as practical.
- * Bikes are not to be ridden more than 2 abreast.
- * Bikes are to use the shoulder of road if it is maintained adequately.
- * Bikes on sidewalks or trails must use caution and yield right of way to pedestrians.
- * Riders turning left must comply with traffic regulations.
- * No bikes are allowed on sidewalks in business districts or where posted.
- * Bikes must not be parked to obstruct pedestrian or vehicular traffic.
- * Bikes must not be attached to fire hydrants, police or fire call boxes, electric traffic signal poles, poles or signs within bus zone or stand, poles or signs within 25 feet of an intersection or trees under 10 inches in diameter.

CYCLIST SAFETY TIPS

CYCLING CITIZENSHIP
Accept the responsibilities that go with your right to cycle. Be familiar with applicable traffic laws and cycling rules.

RIGHT ON
Ride in the direction of traffic, staying as far to the right as is practical. When using a shared-use path, also keep right.

JOIN IN
If traveling the same speed as other vehicles, consider riding with traffic. Joining traffic before an intersection can make your presence known to right-turning drivers.

USE YOUR HEAD
Always wear a helmet. Make sure it is properly fastened and fitted.

SEEING EYE TO EYE
Make eye contact with drivers whenever possible to confirm that you are visible.

DOOR PRIZE
Watch for parked cars where people may open the driver side door without looking.

PLAYING DEFENSE
Be aware of your surroundings. Lookout for road hazards such as sand, gravel, glass, pot holes, railroad tracks, parked cars, and sewer grates.

FLAUNT IT
Make your presence known. Wear bright color clothing. At night or in inclement weather, use reflectors and lights in the front, side, and rear.

HELPING HANDS
Hand signals help drivers predict your actions. Know and use your hand signals whenever you are changing lanes or making a turn.

BRAKE AWAY
Make sure your brakes are in good working condition. Be aware of how weather and road conditions can affect your ability to brake.

*WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT

ROADWAY SHOULDERS
Shoulders designated as an FMATS Bikeway are paved and have a minimum width of 4 feet for roadways with speeds less than 40 mph

SHARED-USE
A sidewalk or bike path that is 8 feet wide or greater and is separated from traffic by either a significant barrier or height difference

SIDEWALK CONNECTION
A raised, improved facility that is less than 8 feet wide on which cyclists must yield the right-of-way to pedestrians. Use extreme caution

BIKES PROHIBITED
Roadways are open to bike traffic unless explicitly signed as being prohibited



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- High traffic
 - Low traffic
 - Alaska Railroad
 - Shared-use path*
 - Roads with shoulders*
 - Sidewalk connection*
 - Unimproved facility
 - Proposed for 2010-2013 construction
 - Bikes prohibited*
 - Parks and refuges
 - Schools
 - Hospitals
 - Libraries
 - Bus stop
- * See "What you can Expect" section on reverse side for more information

Fort Wainwright

Fairbanks International Airport

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