



# TRAIL GUIDE

Preserving the Legacy  
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The Tahoe Pyramid Trail is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization committed to the completion, stewardship, and maintenance of the trail.



## WADSWORTH TO NIXON/PYRAMID LAKE

22.8 miles

We are passing on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe's sacred land. Please be respectful of their rules. Expect to find rolling dirt roads with sandy sections, as well as singletrack. Access to the trail requires a day-use recreational pass, which can be purchased online at <https://plpt.nagfa.net/online> or in person at the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Ranger Station in Sutcliffe. The staff are helpful with information on parking and any other questions.

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## TAHOE CITY TO OLYMPIC VALLEY

5.3 miles

The "Fanny Bridge", next to Layton Park in Tahoe City, marks the beginning of the Tahoe Pyramid Trail. A paved bike path (TCPUD's Truckee River Trail) then parallels the Truckee River, ending in Olympic Valley. This section is very popular for its scenic beauty.

## OLYMPIC VALLEY TO TRUCKEE RIVER LEGACY PARK

9.8 miles

Leaving Olympic Valley Park, the trail user transitions from the bike path to a wide bike lane on the paved shoulder of US 89. As you approach Truckee, turn right onto West River Street through downtown Truckee. Turn right onto Brockway Drive to the Truckee River Legacy Park.

## MUSTANG ROAD TO USA PARKWAY

10 miles

This portion of the trail is mainly single track with small sections of rural roads. Portions of the trail are sandy. The Nature Conservancy manages some portions of the trail. You may see a variety of wildlife, including wild horses.



## TRUCKEE RIVER LEGACY PARK TO GLENSHIRE DRIVE

4.7 miles

This paved bike path (Town of Truckee's Legacy Trail) winds among the trees, along the Truckee River, taking you to the trail's end at Glenshire Drive. This is a very scenic section that is enjoyed by many locals year-round. The trail is plowed in the winter.



## GLENSHIRE DRIVE TO HIRSCHDALE ROAD PARKING

4.5 miles

Turn right onto Glenshire Dr. and take a right onto Hirschdale Road. After Hirschdale Road crosses the Truckee River, you arrive at a designated parking area, and the end of public vehicle access.



## MAYBERRY PARK TO EASTERN SPARKS

13.2 miles

Heading east, this section of the TPT is a series of urban parks that end at Larkin Circle in Sparks. Most of the route is a paved bike path, with a few sections where bikes will travel on residential roads, while walkers can remain on the paved path.

This is the most urban part of the trail, as it passes through or near several city parks: Mayberry, Dorostkar, Chrissie Caughlin, Idlewild, Wingfield, John Champion, Fisherman, Rock, and Cottonwood.



## HIRSCHDALE ROAD PARKING TO FLORISTON

4.3 miles

This section features a variety of surfaces, including paved roads, the Old Highway 40 roadbed, and single-track trails. The route goes through private property with a trail right-of-way. Please be respectful. This is the gateway to the Truckee Canyon, a very scenic and historic section. Panoramic views of the Truckee Canyon are visible. Approaching the Floriston end of this section, you descend 58 stairs to the iconic wooden boardwalk.

## FLORISTON TO FARAD

2.4 miles \* (Difficult section)

The trail crosses under I-80 to follow Old Hwy 40 roadbed, changing to single-track dirt, with steep slopes in some locations. It passes back under I-80, alongside the wooden flume that served the Farad hydroelectric power plant (no longer in service), where the trail passes by Farad. The power plant sits on private land. Please be respectful.



## FARAD TO QUILICI RANCH ROAD

6.6 miles \* (Difficult section)

This section takes you on a combination of single-track and utility access dirt roads. Near the mid-point is Fleish Bridge, a suspension bridge across the Truckee River, followed by a steep uphill/downhill climb. The trail passes by an active hydropower plant as you emerge onto Quilici Ranch Road. Please be respectful of Truckee Meadows Water Authority land and stay on the trail.



## QUILICI RANCH ROAD TO MAYBERRY PARK

8.6 miles

This section is on paved roads with some shoulders and paved bike paths. Proceed on Quilici Ranch Road and take a left onto Crystal Park Road, where you pass Crystal Peak Park in Verdi. The route then continues by turning right onto Third Street, also known as State Route 425, and referred to as the Old Hwy 40. Follow the road to the second roundabout, where you will take the third exit, onto Somersett Ridge Parkway. You will enter a bike path at the base of Somersett Ridge Parkway and exit right onto Silva Ranch Road. Turn left onto Fourth Street. Take the first right at the roundabout onto Woodland Avenue into Mayberry Park.



# Tahoe-Pyramid Trail: Open Sections



**TP Trail Surface Type**

- Paved Path
- Dirt
- Boardwalk
- Paved Road
- ◆ Miles Between Diamonds
- \* Most Difficult Sections

