



Portage Bikeway Trail System

The nationally-recognized Portage Bikeway Trail System has long contributed to the quality of life in the city of Portage. The city has been steadily developing its multi-use trail system since 1987, which now includes a total of 19 miles of asphalt trails and close to 40 miles of paved bike shoulders. The trails were developed with accessibility in mind, making a ride on the trail a fun and enjoyable activity for people of all abilities.

The main spine of the trail system runs 7 miles from the Kilgore Road Trailhead to the new Osterhout Avenue Trailhead, meandering along Portage Creek and through the Celery Flats Historical Area north of City Hall. The trail is 12 feet wide, nicely landscaped and well maintained.

In 2016, another 1.5 miles of paved path was opened, weaving its way through the Eliason Nature Preserve. We saw whitetail deer and wild turkey when we rode through this exceptionally scenic wooded area last summer.

There are several trail offshoots from the main spine. The most popular secondary trails are the Millennium Trail and the Northwest Portage Bikeway west of Bicentennial Park.