

2024 200-Mile Route Overview:

Mile 25 - Kaw Reserve Road

The journey begins with the Kaw Reserve Road, offering a technical and rugged double track challenge. Expect to encounter sizable groups of riders navigating this initial separator on the course. Watch out for sharp rocks as flat tires are common here, marking the first significant test of the day.



Mile 40 - Eskridge - Neutral Water Oasis

Arriving in Eskridge, riders encounter a Neutral Water Oasis. While some may opt to continue without stopping, others will take the opportunity to replenish fluids for the long ride ahead.

Mile 45.5 - Divide Road

Divide Road presents one of the toughest stretches of terrain on the entire route. Following Eskridge, this straight shot offers a relentless onslaught of rough, rocky paths, setting the stage for the challenges to come. Although the terrain eases briefly after Divide, the Minimum Maintenance Road at mile 47 provides an additional test, albeit less severe.



Mile 63 - Boothill Road

Following Divide, riders face another demanding climb on Boothill Road, testing their endurance after navigating challenging terrain.

Mile 70 - Alma - Checkpoint 1

Alma marks the first checkpoint on the course, allowing riders to meet their crews and receive outside support. Transitioning from rocky terrain to smoother gravel roads, riders brace themselves for the increasing heat and exposure that will follow.

Mile 104 - Little Egypt

Little Egypt emerges as a mythical section of the route, presenting rugged two tracks with steep climbs and chunky rocks. Positioned at the halfway point, this section has historically proven to be a decisive moment in the race.



Mile 126 & 131 - Des Moines Road

Riders encounter two distinct sections of Des Moines Road, each presenting unique challenges ranging from soft tracks to rocky terrain.

Mile 138 - Water Crossing

At mile 138, riders face a challenging water crossing, followed by a steep climb that will feel incredibly challenging with the amount of miles already in the legs.



Mile 148 - Council Grove - Checkpoint 2

Council Grove High School hosts the second checkpoint, providing riders with another opportunity to replenish supplies and prepare for the final push to the finish.

Mile 175 - Lake Kahola

Kahola Hill poses the longest climb of the course, presenting a formidable challenge with its exposed and windswept backdrop. Following this climb, riders navigate steep rollers before confronting the final stretch battling the wind.

Mile 186 - Americus - Neutral Water Stop

At mile 186, riders encounter a final Water Oasis, offering a chance to refuel and refresh before the last leg of the journey.

Mile 201 - Highland Hill

Highland Hill serves as the last climb before riders approach the finish line on Commercial Street, offering a smooth and decisive ascent.

Mile 202 - Commercial Street Finish

The iconic finish line on Commercial Street awaits riders, where they'll celebrate the culmination of their epic journey through the Flint Hills. With two dedicated finish line chutes this year, riders will be directed accordingly to celebrate their remarkable achievement at the world's premier gravel race.

Course Stats:

Distance: 202.9 Miles
Elevation Gain: 11,000'
Terrain: 92% Gravel
Number of Checkpoints: 2

• Number of Water Oases: 3

Route Embed link:

Preview:

