



Fairhaven's Phoenix Bike Trail



Fall River Bike Path along the Watuppa



New Bedford Bike Path

Biking in Southeastern Massachusetts

Cycling in Southeastern Massachusetts has become safer and more accessible in recent years with the construction of numerous miles of bikeways, with many more miles planned for the future. Bikeways, both on and off-road, can now be found in several communities including Fairhaven, Mattapoisett, Fall River, New Bedford, Swansea and Mansfield.

The Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD) has been a leader in planning for these bikeways. SRPEDD's *Regional Transportation Plan* lays the groundwork for connecting the region's existing bikeways not only to each other but also to important scenic destinations. The ultimate goal of this plan is to have a continuous network of bikeways suitable for recreational use and commuting in the region. The most important part of the plan is connecting the bikeways along the South Coast to form one continuous path from Rhode Island to Cape Cod.

Be sure to check out this area's scenic existing bikeways, and support their future connections in order to make bicycling a fun, safe and viable commuting option for Southeastern Massachusetts residents!



Different Bikeway Types:

Multi-use Path (Class I Bikeway): a separate, two-directional path for non-motorized vehicles and pedestrians typically 10-14 feet wide



Mattapoisett Bike Path

Bike Lanes (Class II Bikeway): One-way 4 to 6-foot wide lanes on either side of a roadway



Bike Lane

Bike Routes (Class III Bikeway): Roads designated as "share the road" between vehicles and bicycles. Typically indicated with signage and/or *sharrows*.



SOUTHEASTERN MASSACHUSETTS BIKEWAYS MAP



Existing Bike Paths:

- Fall River Bike Path (1 mile)
- Bouthot Memorial Bike Path (1 mile)
- Little Bay Loop, Fairhaven (3/4 mile)
- Mansfield Bike Path (2 miles)
- Mattapoisett Bike Path (3/4 mile)
- New Bedford Bike Path (2.5 miles)
- Phoenix Trail, Fairhaven (3 miles)
- Swansea Bike Path (1 mile)

Existing Bike Lanes:

- Swansea: Marvel St, Bark St, Stevens Rd, Hortonville Rd, Swansea Mall Dr
- Acushnet Ave, New Bedford

Bike Projects in Planning Stages:

- Mattapoisett Bike Path Phase 1B and 2 (3.6 miles)
- Marion Bikeway (4.5 miles)
- Wareham Bikeway (10.5-12 miles)
- Fall River Bike Path Phase 2, 3 and 4 (4.3 miles)
- JFK Highway Bikeway, New Bedford (3 miles)
- Sweets Knoll Park Trail, Dighton (1.5 miles)
- Broad Cove Trail/Bike Lanes, Somerset (2 miles)

