

## The Cycle of Settlement

Cycle Mennonites Landing to the Town of Niverville to truly experience the flatness of the Canadian Prairies. You can see for miles and the challenge will drive you to finish. If you are lucky, the wind might just push you to town. Mennonites Landing, is a historic landing area where many of the first Mennonite farmers and settlers who occupied the East Reserve, a gift of land from the Canadian Government, began their immigration journey. The monument in the woods is worth a visit. It's also a popular local fishing spot for catching goldeye, saugers, jack, and catfish, bring your rod if you are an angling enthusiast. Follow Crown Valley Road (mud road so only attempt on dry days) into Niverville and finish at Hespeler Park. Visit the Interpretive Panels at Hespeler Park that showcase the Sewage Lagoon On Site Phytoremediation Project (it is very cool). Take in lunch at one of the many restaurants in town and grab a coffee or chai latte at Negash Coffee! This journey will take you from the starting path of the Mennonites East Reserve settlers to present day life, streetscapes, and showcased sustainability.

**Trail Section** – Mennonites Landing to Niverville, MB or Niverville to Mennonites Landing

**Access Point:** Mennonites Landing and Hespeler Park, Niverville. If you only bring one vehicle, book a ride back to your car with Niverville Taxi - (204) 901-0013. Ask about logistics and options for bikes

**Distance:** 9 kms (one way)

**Mode:** Cycle -all seasons

**Rating:** Mid Country

**Terrain:** Bush trail, mud road, gravel road,

**Amenities/Points of Interest:**

- Mennonites Landing- <http://www.mhs.mb.ca/docs/sites/mennonitelanding.shtml>
- Niverville Town Loop Map: <http://crowwingtrail.ca/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/Crow-Wing-Maps-NIVERVILLE-revised.pdf>
- Sewage Lagoon – Onsite Phytoremediation Project  
<https://nivervillecitizen.com/news/local/niverville-wins-national-environmental-award>
- Bistro 290, <https://www.facebook.com/bistro290/>
- Gan's Kitchen (Chinese Food) - 154 Main Street (204) 388-6904,
- Country Snacks Convenience Store– 180 Main Street, Niverville
- Negash Coffee - 2b 40 Drovers Run, (204) 388-6384
- Hespelers Grill and Tavern - [hespelerscookhouse.com](http://hespelerscookhouse.com)
- Dairy Queen - 40 Drover Run, Unit 6, Niverville, 204.808.9338
- Historic Pictures along Main Street
- Niverville Shell Station – washroom, air, supplies, snacks A-20 Drover's Run
- Niverville Heritage Center- Guest Suites - <http://heritagecentre.ca/guest-suites/>

\*For anyone interested in an ultra endurance race in February along the Crow Wing Trail utilizing a fat bike, mountain bike or cross bike – be sure to check out Actif Epica at [www.actifepi.ca](http://www.actifepi.ca)