

Bite-Size BDR #7: Colorado BDR Section 2 Alpine Loop BiteSize BDR

A Bite-Size BDR is an epic BDR section with the added feature of a loop.

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This route includes part of section 2 of the COBDR and is designed as a continuous loop through some of the most scenic areas of Colorado. There are several entry and exit options but we recommend starting from the town of Telluride.

Follow the COBDR gps track (yellow line) south out of Telluride to Ophir Pass, the first of many high alpine passes you will encounter. The road up Ophir Pass is rocky and challenging, but the reward is incredible vistas and a smoother ride down the east side.

Next take a northbound spin up the Million Dollar Highway (550) and hang a right to begin the infamous Alpine Loop. You will summit Corkscrew, Hurricane, and California passes at elevations of up to nearly 13,000 feet before dropping down into the ghost town of Animas Forks.

Head south on Animas Forks Road, a mellow stretch of dirt, to the town of Silverton. Connect back up with Highway 550 and take this impressive stretch of highway north to the town of Ouray. Continue north on Highway 550 to Ridgeway, then jump on 62 west. At the nearly indistinguishable town of Noel, you'll head south on T60, or Last Dollar Road. Once you make it back to Telluride, park your bike and grab a ride up the free gondola to Mountain Village and take in the most incredible views in Colorado.

	COBDR Section 2 (Follow COBDR tracks)		Gas		Lodging
	Scenic paved & unpaved roads (Navigate using this map)		Shopping		Camping

Total Route Mileage: 117 Miles

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RIDE RESPECTFULLY

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