

Day 1 – Buffalo to Lockport – cues  
Aug 24 - Tuesday (Mapped miles = 34)

Out of hotel go south (**left**) on Main Street. At the first stoplight (watch the streetcar tracks) turn **right** onto **MARINE** Drive.

>> Watch for the “start” of the trail as you ride under the expressway. Look for the canal Ruins between Lloyd Street and Commercial Drive on the left side of Marine Drive as we are departing.

Back on Marine Drive, continue past Commercial Drive (on the right) and Veteran’s Park (on the left). Follow signs for Shoreline Trail (it runs on Marine Drive). Turn **right** onto **ERIE Street** – Ride 0.2 mi and turn **left** onto **SHORELINE/RIVERWALK** Trail. Enter the trail on the northeast corner of Erie & Lakefront Blvd. Follow the trail around yacht club. Cross bridge over I-90 and ride trail (along/on Niagara Street) under Peace Bridge. Continue on the trail to the point where Niagara Str intersects with **Robert Rich Way** (on the left) and W. Ferry Street (on the right).

>> Reports of construction in this stretch. We may have to ride on Niagara Str

Decision: Cross the bridge (Robert Rich Way/W. Ferry St) and ride on the island or follow trail along Niagara St.

The yes-island option: Turn **left** off of Niagara Str at **Robert Rich Way**. Go under the railroad tracks and catch the **bike lane** on the right side of the bridge. Once in Broderick Park (on the island) take the **SHORELINE Trail**. Follow the trail until it goes under another railroad bridge, then take the fork to the **right** to exit the island. The trail crosses I-190 on the railroad bridge. Exiting the bridge, follow the **ramp** down to **Niagara Str**.

The no-island option: Continue riding north along Niagara Street. At the intersection of Niagara and Forest Ave. (on the right only) (where Niagara goes under the I-190 ramp), turn **LEFT** onto the **JESSE KREGEL PATHWAY** on the left. This travels under/along the I-190 ramp and becomes the **SHORELINE Trail**. Stay on this trail until it goes under a railroad bridge and climbs up to Niagara St. Turn **left** onto trail along Niagara.

Note: a trip report on 8/13 from another rider says that some sections of the trail in this part of the route are under construction, and detours will put cyclists on Niagara Street.

Shortly after the Niagara Str and Bridge St junction, enter the **ramp** for **SHORELINE Trail** (TOW PATH PARK) on the **left** side of the street. Cross over I-190 on a bridge. Continue on the

**SHORELINE** Trail alongside Dann St. and I-190. At **Hertel Ave**, jog **right** slightly to continue on

**SHORELINE** Trail. The trail continues along the Niagara River, going under I-190 at the South Grand Island Bridge, to Tonawanda. At the point where Ellicott Creek enters the Niagara, the trail turns east. After the trail goes under the Seymour Street bridge and arrives at the corner of **Niagara Str** (corner with Billygan's Café), turn **left** (staying on the north side of Niagara Str) and ride one block to **Main** Street. Look for the entrance to the **Tonawandas Gateway Harbor**. This begins the

**TONAWANDA CANALWAY TRAIL**. Follow signage for Erie Canalway Trail. Continue east. Stay on the trail as it becomes the

**AMHERST CANALWAY TRAIL**. Continue northeast on the trail/streets to the town of Pendleton. Continue northeast to the town of Lockport. In Lockport, turn **left** onto **STEVENS** Street, cross the creek and turn **right** onto

**PROSPECT** Street. Follow this to

**NIAGARA** Street, then turn **right**. At the intersection with Cottage St, continue **straight** and this becomes **CANAL** Street.

Pause and look at the Flight of Five locks. To go to the hotel, ride further on Canal Street to

**ONTARIO** Street. Turn **right** and ride to

**PINE** Street. Cross the canal and continue on Pine for about 1 mile. At

**GAFFNEY Rd**, turn **right** and ride to the T-intersection. Hotel is directly across the street.