

The HCSA Forest and Rails Loop (FAR) is a family friendly snowmobile adventure in the central part of our trail system touching the communities of Minden Hills, Haliburton and Carnarvon. This 4 to 5 hour ride is perfect for a non-snowmobilers who wants a taste of Haliburton's premier outdoor winter experience. Best of all it is self-directed you ride at your own pace, not the pace of a tour guide.

Start where you wish and ride this 75 kilometre loop, with lots to see; Mount Minden, relax in Minden Village, a floating snowmobile bridge across the Gull River, the [Minden Whitewater Preserve](#) a world class canoeing and kayaking course, touch the Hamlet of Carnarvon, get a taste of Ontario's number one snow tour, the RAP, Round Algonquin Park for a few kilometres.

Did you know that portions of this trail are older than Canada? The Peterson Colonisation Road is on this section of you ride. Closer to Haliburton Village ride through Glebe Park home of Haliburton's Museum and the School of Arts. Go slow and you might even see something from the [Sculpture Forest](#).

Lake riding awaits, Head Lake. Do not stray from the orange markers check out our locomotive and Avro aircraft, relax in Haliburton village. Heading south from Haliburton you're riding the Rails, the former Victoria Haliburton Railway.

At Donald, at the Trail 9 intersection look into the bush see the abandoned Standard [Chemical plant](#). In its day one of the County's largest employers. Further on the Richie Falls Bridge, then the hamlet of Gelert which in its day was the railway staging area for Minden Hills. A large station once stood near the cemetery. Now head back to Minden and Mount Minden.

You've just ridden the FAR LOOP. Lots of [food](#), [accommodations](#), and fuel availability along the way. Oh one other thing, don't forget the camera.

Numerous driveways and intersecting roads on the FAR LOOP