Route # 5 Gilbert Windshield—32 miles

Stop in and say ‘Hi’ to owner Steve Gilbert, a local rider. On Coxe Road, this ride passes the 1830s Cleghorn Plantation. On County Line Road it goes past the 1823 Fox Haven Plantation House. On Gray’s Road, it crosses the historic steel truss Twitty Bridge. The distant rock faces are on Rumbling Bald at Lake Lure.

Study the map for shortcuts on Pleasant Hill Church Road and Baber Road.

**Route directions**

Total miles (miles in segment)

Start at Gilbert Windshield.

R on Oak Street (0.6)
1.6 S across US 74-A at stop light where name changes to Thunder Road. (1.6)
2.2 S across US 221 at stop light where name changes to Coxe Road. (5.1)
7.3 R on Union Road (2.5)
9.8 L on Pleasant Hill Road (2.1)
11.9 L on Grays Road (1.4)
13.3 R on County Line Road South (5.1)
Cross NC 108, continue on County Line Road North
18.4 R on River Road (2.4)
Cross Broad River on one-lane bridge
20.4 R on Maple Creek Road (2.9)
23.3 R on Piedmont (1.5)
24.8 R on New Hope Road (0.7)
25.5 R on NC 108 (0.5)
26.0 L on Union Road (1.3)
27.3 L on Tom Camp Road (1.3)
28.6 L on Coxe Road (1.3)
29.9 S across US 221, continue on Thunder Road (1.6)
31.5 S across US 74-A, continue on Oak St. (0.6)
32.1 L to Gilbert Windshield

Start from Gilbert Windshield

From US 74: From the east, take the US 74-A bypass towards Forest City. Pass Isothermal Community College (on the left) and turn right on Oak Street toward Spindale at the next stoplight. Gilbert Windshield is on Oak Street on the left just before Main Street.

From US 221: Turn east on US 74-B (also called Charlotte Road) in Rutherfordton. At the top of the hill there is a major intersection. Turn right on US 74-A. The next left is Oak Street. Gilbert Windshield is on the left just before Main Street.