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On the following pages is a snapshot view of the entire route divided into three sections: the Pocahontas to St. Paul Trail, the St. Paul Loop, and the Norton Loop. This “mile by mile” photo format has proven to be invaluable in allowing issues to be raised and concerns addressed. Where one can visually see what it is being discussed, one can make better, more informed decisions as to the actions to take. It will also serve as a way to monitor the progress of the trail as specific sections are addressed and improved.

						
<a href="#">Buchanan</a>   <a href="#">Dickenson</a>   <a href="#">Lee</a>   <a href="#">City of Norton</a>   <a href="#">Russell</a>   <a href="#">Scott</a>   <a href="#">Tazewell</a>   <a href="#">Wise</a>   <a href="#">Background</a>   <a href="#">Vision</a>   <a href="#">Meetings</a>   <a href="#">News</a>   <a href="#">Adv. Committee</a>   <a href="#">Home</a> <a href="#">Norton Loop through Wise &amp; Lee Counties</a>   <a href="#">Pocahontas to St. Paul Trail</a>   <a href="#">St. Paul Loop</a>						
NORTON LOOP THROUGH WISE & LEE COUNTIES						
This 68-mile loop travels from Norton through the communities of Appalachia, Pennington Gap and Big Stone Gap and travels a few backroads past old and new mining camps. The route also takes one past the Stone Face on the Mountain, Southwest Virginia Museum, Harry W. Meador Coal Museum, and numerous coal towns and monuments. Many of the roads are curvy, twisty with just a few hairpin turns. Some of the backroads are not heavily traveled which make this section ideal for motorcycles and those wanting a unique and interesting ride. Within the 68-mile loop, there are over 30 coal-related sites to see.						
<b>LEGEND:</b> Coal      Road Description      Recommendation      Confirmation Signs      Side Trip						
PHOTO	COUNTY/TOWN	ROAD NAME	MILE	DIRECT	SIDE	DESCRIPTION
	City of Norton	Hwy 58/23	0	West	Both	At the intersection of Hwy 58/23 (also called Norton-Coeburn Rd) and 58 Alt traveling on Hwy 58/23 west into Downtown Norton.
	City of Norton	Hwy 58/23	0.1	West	Right	Confirmation sign - headed in right direction.
	City of Norton	Hwy 58/23	0.4	West	Right	Stoplight with restaurant on side road to the right that follows railroad track
	Downtown Norton	Hwy 58/23	0.4 - 1.0	West	Both	Historic District with numerous restaurants, commercial buildings, gas station, offices, motel, shops, etc. .7 on the left is the Wise County Chamber of Commerce and a historic marker on Norton noting it as "the center of a butuminous coal region".