

Great Western Trail

Utah's iconic trail, right outside Bicknell.

CAPITOL REEF COUNTRY TRAIL GUIDE

OHV / MOUNTAIN BIKE / HORSEBACK



20 miles

DISTANCE

1,200 ft

ELEVATION GAIN

Moderate

DIFFICULTY

5 hrs

EST. TIME

LOCATION

Outskirts of Bicknell, off Highway 24.

TRAIL TYPE

Multi-use corridor.

TRAIL DESCRIPTION

A scenic multi-use corridor on the outskirts of Bicknell, part of the historic cross-country Great Western Trail network.

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Stay on designated trails; pack out all items. Nearest services: USFS Aquarius Ranger Station. High-elevation route — often snow-covered and impassable in winter/early spring; check current conditions before you go. Pack out everything you pack in. Flash floods can hit canyons fast from distant storms — check the forecast first.

COORDINATES

38.31028, -111.51778 (Staging area)

Coordinates are a navigation aid — conditions change, so always verify current road and trail status before you go.

SAFETY

Check weather forecasts for flash flood risk; carry physical map and first aid kit; notify someone of your route.

TRAIL TIP

Multiple staging areas connect into this trail — Velvet Ridges, Hatchery Road, and Bulberry all work as starting points.

