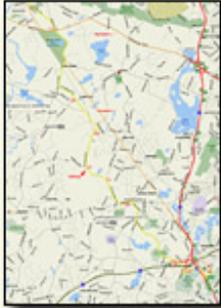


Commuting on Bicycle Again

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While I still love coming to work at Macromedia every day, now that I'm biking to work a few times a week again the best part of the day is now the bike ride home. I **started last October**, but soon the first snows fell and I had to hang up the bike. This April the temperature is back into the 60's and the last snow is a couple weeks behind.

The first 3 miles of the 13 mile trip home is largely uphill, but then as the roads grow smaller as I wind my way into the suburbs the ride flattens out and I can enjoy the sights and smells along the way.

Just past the train tracks on rt. 117 in Lincoln, I pass the Audubon Society's **Drumlin Farm** where cattle are grazing by the roadside. I love the smell of cow manure in the evening. I'm just that way.

Continuing through Lincoln I reach **Codman Farm** and the community gardens, and there I change from the pedaling on the sliver of road they call a shoulder to a flowing, country walkway with some fun hills that twist and curve under apple trees and along side sheep and wide open farm fields.

The country path continues along rt 126 where the nearby vernal pools are filled to the brink not just with fresh water but with a chorus of spring peepers. If I time it just right, I pass **Walden Pond (satellite)** just as the sun sets at the opposite end just before it passes through the distant pine trees.

I don't think listening to podcasts is great idea for bike riding on the roadside, but its a great way to review the days events, and I even wrote this blog entry in my head on the way today, now all that's left is the typing.