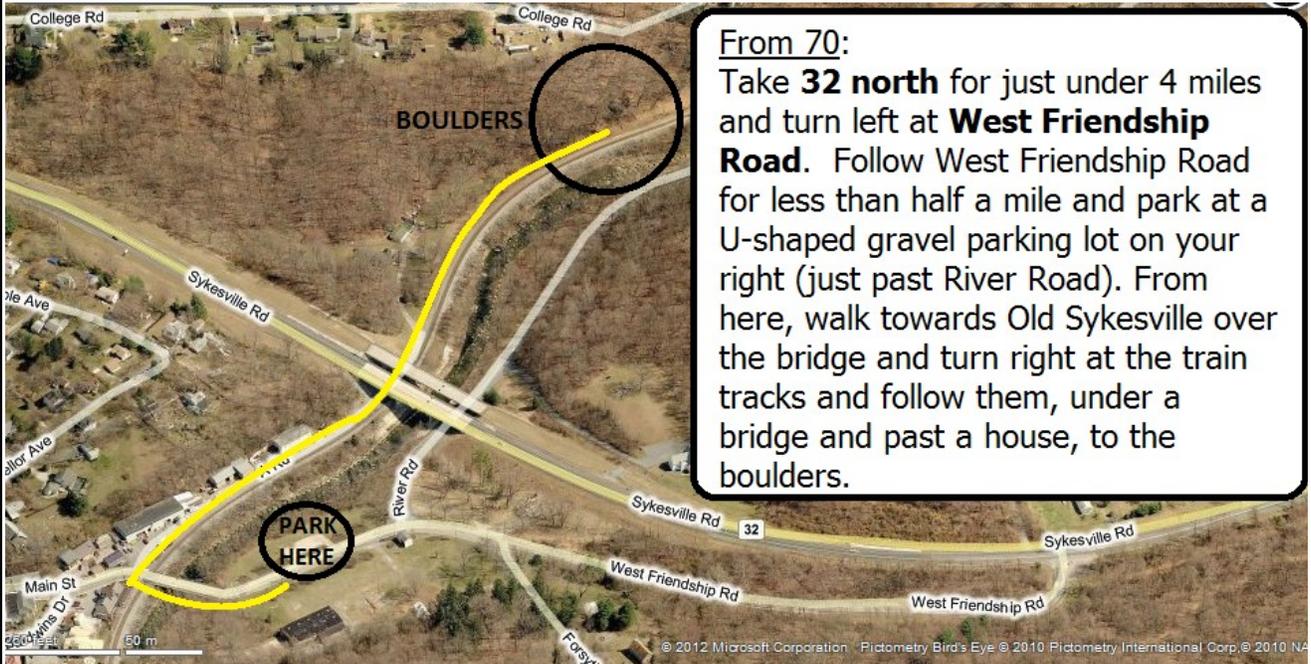
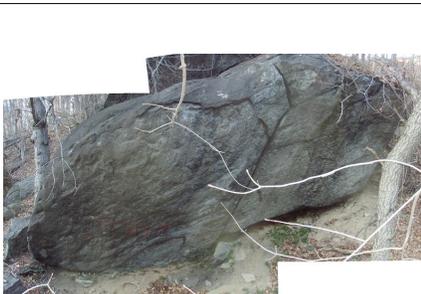


# The Levitation Boulders



**From 70:**  
 Take **32 north** for just under 4 miles and turn left at **West Friendship Road**. Follow West Friendship Road for less than half a mile and park at a U-shaped gravel parking lot on your right (just past River Road). From here, walk towards Old Sykesville over the bridge and turn right at the train tracks and follow them, under a bridge and past a house, to the boulders.



Jam Boulder

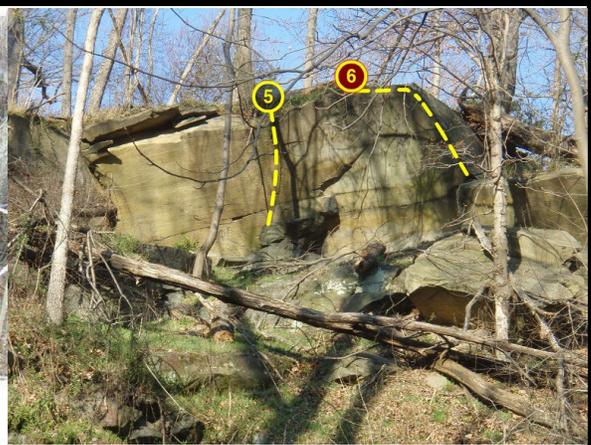
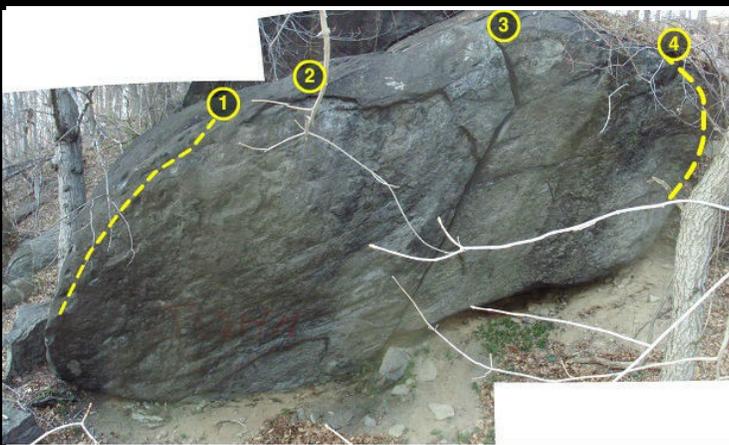


Upper Levitation



Levitation

TO = TopOut  
 HB = HighBall



(1) **Fat Man Project**- Start on a left hand plate crimp and a small pocket/crimp for your right hand. With the help of a heel hook, move up left to a sloper, followed by a large move out right to a dish. From here, a bump should get you to a the first good hold. TO

1. Low and sit starts are also possible; the lower you start, the harder it gets.

(2) **Ro-Fo Project**- Unlikely. There's a starting crimp rail and a shallow pocket in the middle of the face. TO

(3) **The Jam V2**- Start with comfy hand jams and work your way up through the widening crack. Although die-hard traddies may disagree, using the crimps is fine. TO

1. Sit-starting this gives you a little more climbing but won't change the grade

(4) **Flapper-gasted V4**- On the uphill side jam boulder there is an obvious start crimp. Begin matched on the crimp, plaster your feet on the bulge below you, and make a big move to a jug and continue up through the vegetation. TO

(5) **Snail Trail V3**- Begin on the large block. Two good finger-locks will get you to a broken section near the end. Top it out by any means (right, left, or direct). TO

(6) **Sparkly Spots V5**- With both hands on the obvious starting jug, swing a heel onto the start and work your way up this desperate arete. A committing bump at the end will get you to a crimp from which you can traverse left to topout above the overhanging blank face. TO

(7) **Mulligan Flash V5**- Starting on the large slot next to the boulder at the base move up left to a matchable crimp just right of a dirty ledge. Make a small throw up right to a smiling crimp rail, match, and follow the face up to a horseshoe shaped pocket and then a flat jug. Top out straight up from the flat jugs. TO HB

1. Starting to the left of this route, under the overhang is a climb previously done on TR called *Ascending Order*

(8) **Pearls before Swine Project**-Start on the good crimps above the small boulder resting at the bottom of the face. After moving past the crimps at the beginning to a very incut crimp, make a right hand reach up to the flat sloper. The next move is big: throw up left to a good(ish) hold at the top of the vertical seam. TO HB

1. Linking up into this from the start of *Mulligan Flash* makes for a slightly harder variation

(9) **The Ugly Duckling Project**- At the right end of Levitation face, start on a large pocket and work your way up left. Expect some funny layback and gaston moves over a hillside landing. TO HB

