



World's top cyclists will race through Folsom May 12

Folsom will host the Stage Two Individual Time Trials for the Amgen Tour of California, America's largest professional road cycling race, on Monday, May 12. This morning race officials released the route map for the 12.5 mile race. Millions of viewers around the world will see images of Folsom landmarks during the internationally televised event.



The Time Trial will begin on Sutter Street. Cyclists will turn left on Riley and cross Rainbow Bridge; right on Folsom Auburn Road; right on Folsom Lake Crossing to East Natoma; left on Green Valley Road to a turn-around at the El Dorado County line; returning on Green Valley Road; right on East Natoma and back across Folsom Lake Crossing; left on Folsom Auburn Road and across Lake Natoma Crossing; to the finish on Leidesdorff Street.

“An opportunity to showcase our beautiful city to a world-wide audience is rare and invaluable to our long-term economic vitality,” says City Manager Evert Palmer. “NBC Sports will cover the event live and more than 100 journalists will be in town to report on the race.”

Palmer notes that this large-scale event will have traffic impacts and that some people will be inconvenienced. Roads on the race course will be open during morning and evening commute hours, but will be closed much of the day.

“Professional traffic engineers are developing a detailed traffic management plan with specified alternate routes that will be clearly marked and highly publicized prior to race day,” says Palmer. “We are also working closely with Police and Fire on emergency response coordination, with our Solid Waste Division to avoid service disruptions, with schools, the prison and other key stakeholders.”

In the coming weeks City staff will reach out to businesses and residents that will be most impacted, as well as large employers, and neighbors in Placer and El Dorado counties.

Up-to-date traffic information, and recommendations for the best viewing spots, will be posted on the City website as race day approaches.