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Date:

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To:

Commissioners' Court

From:

Jon Kleinheksel

Re:

Bike Race Event

Public Works received a written request from Mr. Andrew Armstrong, Director of the Texas High School Cycling League (THSCL), to facilitate a bicycle race on April 13, 2025. This will be the sixteenth consecutive race that has been facilitated by Collin County.

Prior to the event, Public Works will notify residents in the affected region using a combination of media at our disposal including notices on the County website and informing the PIO's office.

THSCL will have appropriate pace and follow vehicles and support staff to monitor each group on the road. The event itself, the county, event organizers, and all racers would be covered under an event insurance policy secured through the cycling's national governing body, USA Cycling. The entire event will be orchestrated and monitored by the sanctioned cycling body of THSCL.

The event will include various county roads, such as CR's 134, 132, 138, 179, 177, 175 and 135. This event would require a partial road closure (right lanes) because the cyclists compete in a "rolling enclosure". The cyclists race between pace and follow vehicles which require traffic to stop at intersections allowing the group to turn with no impediments.

Non-County agencies including Celina PD and Celina HS will be contacted by THSCL to solicit their assistance and participation. Celina High School's parking lot will be designated as the operations base used for parking, check-in and staging. Facilities including rest rooms will be available at this location. Event setup and cleanup will occur in this area and to a lesser degree, in predetermined spots of the ROW along the event route.

Similar to last year, Public Works will be involved in the placement of barricades and distribution of traffic cones. Per Court Order No. 2005-730-09-20, THSCL will reimburse Collin County for traffic control services (electronic sign board, barricades, traffic cones and required labor) associated with the Texas High School Cycling League (THSCL) bicycle race held in northwest Collin County.

Should you require additional information, please contact me and I will respond accordingly.