

July 15th, 2025

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter outlines plans for conducting the fourth edition of the unPAved bicycle event beginning and ending in Lewisburg, PA, traveling west through the Bald Eagle State Forest, and returning to Lewisburg. Event details, links, and other information follow:

Name of event: unPAved of the Susquehanna River Valley

Website: www.unPAvedPennsylvania.com

Description and location of the race: The event will follow a course that is located primarily on the Buffalo Valley Rail trail and in and around Bald Eagle State Forest with short crossings of municipal roads to connect these areas. Bald Eagle State Forest has approved the overall event plan. The course map can be viewed here: https://ridewithgps.com/routes/49029406

Date and time of race: Set-up and course marking for the race will be on Weds-Saturday, Oct 7th-11th, 2024. Sunday's race will begin at 7:00 a.m. on October 12th. Riders may take up until 9:00 p.m. to finish the event and will be required to ride with front and rear lights after 4pm.

Expected attendance: It is expected that 1,200 participants, and 50 volunteers & staff, will be involved in the event in 2025.

Insurance: The event is covered by event insurance and your certificate is attached to the email accompanying this document. *Please let me know if you do not see this attachment or if there are any concerns with the coverage.*

Marshals: Marshals will be positioned along the course at road crossings and at designated checkpoints to insure rider safety. Marshals will stop the cyclists at intersections, and not car

traffic. Marshals will notify motorists of the event and will request that drivers proceed with caution.

Checkpoints: Checkpoints along the course will provide racers with food and water and will allow officials to monitor racer progress.

Safety services: Ambulance service will be on-course on race day. We are also working with the region's amateur radio operators to help provide coverage in the necessary locations through Centre County EMA. Lead and follow vehicles (automobile and/or motorcycle) will support the race. We contact Union, Mifflin, and Centre County EMA and the state police or local police in Centre Co, Mifflin/Junita, Buffalo Valley and Mifflinburg. Several volunteer fire departments in the region may be working with us on the event including Union County West End, Mifflinburg, and Milheim.

Municipal concurrence: The following municipalities will be made aware of the event: East Buffalo, Buffalo, Mifflinburg, Lewisburg, West Buffalo, Lewis, Hartley, Armagh, Miles, Haines, Penn, West Beaver.

County EMA notifications: The following Emergency Management Agencies will be made aware of the event: Centre county, Mifflin county, Snyder county, and Union county.

Notification of residents: The event will be advertised in local news outlets. Flyers will be placed at locations along the rail trail as identified by the Union County Trail Authority. Event signage will be placed in and outside of the Bald Eagle State Forest as identified by the DCNR/Department of Forestry.

Racing guidelines: Participants will be notified of the rules of the event at the registration area and in advance on the event website. These rules include, but are not limited to: All racers must obey traffic laws—the motor vehicle code, riders must ride on the far right-hand side of the road, and the riders may not cross the double yellow line except at the turning points. Each racer will be reminded of these rules at the start of the race. Racers will also be reminded that the course will be open to traffic during the race.

Signage: Motorists will be warned of the event with "Caution, Race in Progress!" and "Caution" signs at critical locations. Racers will be directed via weatherproof directional arrows.

Partners: The Susquehanna River Valley Visitors Bureau is our top partner and has been

incredible to work with to bring this event together. The Union County Trail Authority and DCNR are helping to make this possible with access to their properties and parcels. We're finding great ways to work with local establishments like Rusty Rail Brewing Company, the Lewisburg Downtown Partnership, the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership, Walk It Bike It Lewisburg, various hotel partners and restaurants, and more. The welcome in your region has been amazing!

In previous years, the event has attracted riders and attention from throughout North America, and has been named one of the "Top 10 Gravel Races in the U.S.A." and one of the "Top 12 Most Influential Gravel Events of 2020" by the cycling media. Your region was loved by all those who took part and we are looking forward to continued growth and success!

Please contact us with any comments or questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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