

USA Pro Cycling Challenge
Woodland Park
August 22, 2014



Friday, August 22, 2014, Woodland Park will be hosting the **Stage 5 Start of the USA Pro Challenge** cycling race. Woodland Park has been selected for a high energy, high profile Start for the first time! This is an excellent opportunity to showcase our City. It will be very different from the Pro Challenge sprint line held in Woodland Park in 2012.

As a member of this wonderful community it is important to communicate with residents and business owners about the race, and share some details that will be helpful in planning for race day, Friday, August 22nd.

This will be a busy, exciting and fun event for our community! Hosting the riders, support vehicles, world-wide media and several thousand spectators, the City and the local race committee will close streets bounded by Baldwin, US-24, South Avenue, and Park Streets. Barricades will be in place on these streets from 9:00 AM until early afternoon August 22nd. In addition, the area around the race Start Village near the Ute Pass Cultural Center will be visited by thousands of spectators. After the racers leave town around 11:30 AM, many of these visitors will stay to enjoy live music, food and activities at the Start Village. In addition, many will visit the nearby Farmers Market and Fine Arts Fair, along W. Henrietta Avenue, from 7 AM until 1 PM. The festivities will end with a concert at the Ute Pass Cultural Center Pavilion that evening.

Please plan any travel scheduled for that day with this event in mind, as traffic in the area of the race and the surrounding neighborhood will be challenging during these hours, due to limited access and pedestrian traffic. It is suggested to make plans to leave early for commuting that morning, and allow extra time to drive through Woodland Park on race day. CDOT WILL COMPLETELY CLOSE US-24 from Baldwin Street (McDonald's) west through town, as far as Trout Creek Road between about 11:00AM and 12:00 PM with a "rolling barricade" on US-24, as riders leave Woodland Park. The "rolling barricade" moves west on US-24 to Tarryall Road. Woodland Park RE-2 School District will be closed on race day so students and staff can enjoy race day activities.

Emergency response during limited access in Woodland Park and US-24 will be unaffected. The 911 system will be unaffected and emergency service teams will be located in downtown locations during the event to provide immediate response.

Please visit the City's website at www.city-woodlandpark.org/home/stage-5-start for more details on closures and the calendar of events. You may also see the Pro Challenge Facebook page for additional updates at www.facebook.com/usaprochallengewoodlandpark.

The Colorado State Patrol will have detailed information about road closures throughout Colorado during the week of the race at <http://www.coloradodot.info/>.

We know some travel through the area will be slowed on August 22nd and hope this information is helpful to better understand the road closures in planning any outings for that day.

Please join us on race day for this exciting event!

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