

E-BLAST 4

Three Flags Classic UPDATE!



Hello Three Flag Riders!

As I write this we are not 100% certain a ride will take place this year but your committee has been meeting every month planning as if the ride **WILL** take place. We recently heard Canada extended their opening of the border until July 21, 2021 but we've heard through some sources they may revise that plan right after July 4th. In either case we feel the border will open and we will likely have the 45th Annual Three Flags Classic!

IMPORTANT!

When Canada announces the opening of the border we don't know exactly what the requirements will be. It is possible Canada may require a COVID-19 test within 72 hours of crossing the border. They may also require proof of a Covid-19 vaccine card or other proof of having received the vaccine.

I am not about to tell you what you do or do not put in your body. This e-mail is for informational purposes only. Whether or not you get a vaccine is up to you, but if Canada requires a vaccine and we ride to Canada you may not get in without evidence of a vaccine.

What I will suggest is if you are going to get the vaccine and have not already received the shot, you might want to consider getting the vaccine immediately because you may be required to get a second shot as part of the process. You will want to get all that done in advance of heading to Mexico. Mexico does not require evidence of a vaccine or recent Covid test. But bring your passport to both borders and make sure it does not expire within 6 months of the ride.

As I write this E-Blast we are working on setting up a Covid-19 testing station at the checkpoint in Longmont, Colorado. This would likely be within the window needed to cross the Canadian border if the test was required. For those who live in California, you can print off evidence of your vaccine by going to this link.

<https://myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov/>

Of course there is a possibility that a vaccine or a test won't be required but we don't want you to wait until the last minute to get going on the process if you are so inclined.

On another note: Our ride this year takes us through Rocky Mountain National Park. The Park Service has advised you'll need to make a reservation to transit the park. Reservations for September open on August 1, 2021. Please make a note of this requirement so you are not turned away. You may ride another route to avoid this inconvenience on your way to Missoula, Montana... but this is a beautiful place to ride so you might consider not bypassing it.

I will put out an updated E-Blast in July so please pay attention to your e-mails. I'm feeling pretty good about our plans of having a ride this year so get the bike polished, tires up to pressure, and keep your fingers crossed!

Hope to see you all in Mexicali in about 9 ½ weeks!

Steven Shulman
Chairman, 2021 Three Flags Classic
45th Annual Ride