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2021 FIBArk Whitewater Festival Event Plan

June 17-20, 2021



OVERVIEW

A community celebration with live music, beer, and food vendors at Riverside Park, whitewater races on the river with boating vendors and event registration on the boat ramp, and running/biking races held in downtown Salida and the Arkansas Hills Trails System.

SPECIAL NOTES

In light of the evolving circumstances around COVID, this plan provides some options should conditions improve. Where these options are identified, decisions will be made by May 30 to determine the final event planning option.

FESTIVAL COMPONENTS

The following sections describe the components of the 73rd Annual FIBArk Whitewater Festival.

Duration

The festival begins Thursday, June 17th at 6pm MDT and concludes Sunday, June 20th at 4pm MDT.

Overview of River Races

River races will take place on the Arkansas River at the Salida Whitewater Park as well as Downriver and Pine Creek races at other locations . River races include:

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- Downriver Race
 - Slaloms
 - Stand-up paddleboard (SUP) Colorado State Championships
 - Pine Creek
 - Hooligan
 - Raft Rodeo

Refer www.fibark.com for times and locations of all river events. A Whitewater Park Spectator Area would have a public announcement system, awards stage, beer sales, river-oriented vendors, food truck, competitor staging area, and porta potties.

Overview of Land Races

FIBArk is partnering with the City of Salida Parks & Recreation Department on certain aspects of the festival, including the land races (refer to Attachment A). Land races will take place on City of Salida streets, county roads, and trails on city and Bureau of Land management land. Land races include:

- Tenderfoot Hill Climb
- 10k Road Run
- 5k Road Run
- 10k Trail Run
- Mountain Bike Races (Expert, Sport, Beginner)

Refer to www.fibark.com for times and locations of all land events.

Live Music and Vendors in Riverside Park

Riverside Park would host live music for pre-ticketed entrants on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Friday and Saturday would be priced tickets, Sunday would be free to pre-registered attendees. Entry would be limited to up to 1,200 people each day. Refer to www.fibark.com for live music artists and times.

In addition to live music, Riverside Park would also host the following:

- 3-4 food trucks
- Beer tent
- FIBArk information and merchandise tent
- Up to 5 vendors
- Up to 5 outreach/informational tents for local charitable nonprofits or government organizations, depending on demand

LOGISTICS AND FESTIVAL SUPPORT

Figures 1 and 2 provide conceptual layouts for the event space in the Whitewater Park Spectator Area and Riverside Park. Additional details provided in the following sections.

Event Staging

The event site (excepting River Races held offsite) is comprised of the Whitewater Park Spectator Area, Riverside Park, and the Athlete-Reserved Parking Area. The following sections describe these site plan components in more detail.

Whitewater Park Spectator Area

The Salida Whitewater Park Spectator Area is depicted on Figure 1, consisting of the Boat Ramp and Boat Ramp parking lot, Steam Plant patio, and a section of the River Trail and vicinity between the Steam Plant and the river. The Boat Ramp parking lot would be closed to public vehicle access and reserved for river-oriented vendors, a food truck, porta potties, and River Race competitor staging. An event registration tent would be staged on the southwest side of the FIBArk boathouse building.

An amplified sound system would be staged adjacent to the river to announce the river races, as would a station selling cans of beer and other beverages.

There would be no restricted access to public foot traffic in the Whitewater Park Spectator Area.

Riverside Park

Riverside Park would be fenced as depicted in Figure 2, with access to ticketed attendees at the corner of F Street and W. Sackett and the corner of E Street and W. Sackett.

F Street and F Street Lot Athlete-Reserved Parking Area

~~F Street north of Sackett would be closed to vehicle traffic.~~ The F Street Lot would be reserved for river competitor parking and staging.

Trash and Waste

Porta Potties

Porta potties would be staged in the following locations:

- Whitewater Park Spectator Area (8)
- Riverside Park (20)
- F Street Lot (4)

Trash Receptacles and Waste Management

City of Salida will lead trash and waste management for the festival per Attachment A. Trash and recycling receptacles will be staged in the Whitewater Park Spectator Area and Riverside Park. City of Salida will empty receptacles when full throughout the day to prevent overflow and

transport recyclables and trash to roll-off dumpsters staged in the F Street parking lot or other suitable location.

Traffic

~~F Street north of Sackett would be closed to public vehicle traffic.~~ Athletes competing in races (land and river) would be permitted access to park and stage in the F Street Lot.

~~W. Sackett would be closed to public vehicle traffic.~~ The parking spaces adjacent to Riverside Park on the north side of W. Sackett street would be included in the fenced perimeter and used to stage porta potties.

~~ECPC anticipates that F Street between Sackett and 1st Street will be closed to vehicle traffic.~~ A truss with FIBArk banner will be staged across F Street between Sackett and 1st Street as indicated on Figure 2.

Security

ECPC will contract private security for the festival from 12pm to 8pm on Friday and Saturday and 12pm to 4pm on Sunday. Security officers will be stationed at the following locations:

- Two at each entrance (2) to Riverside Park
- Two at Riverside Park stage protection and roaming
- One at Riverside Park exit
- One at Whitewater Park Spectator Area

Security officers will assist in enforcing the following security measures:

- Only ticketed persons displaying wristband are allowed in Riverside Park during festival hours.
- No outside alcohol is allowed in Riverside Park. Alcohol sold in Riverside Park is not allowed outside of the Park.
- No outside alcohol is allowed in the Whitewater Park Spectator Area. Alcohol sold in the Whitewater Park Spectator Area is not allowed outside the area.
- No illegal contraband is allowed in Riverside Park
- Checking ID for 21-and-over alcohol purchase

Emergency Actions

An emergency action plan is provided as Attachment B in the template provided by the City of Salida.

COVID Safety Measures

The following is a list of COVID safety measures that will be established for the festival. FIBArk is committed to working with the County and City to implement common-sense COVID safety measures to make the festival as safe as possible.

- Capacity for this year's event in Riverside Park will be limited to up to 1,200, directed by the square footage of Riverside Park to allow for social distancing for attendees.
- Ticketed guest contact information will be collected with ticket purchase to allow for contact tracing.
- A flexible cancelation policy will be enacted so if you are feeling sick, please stay home!
- Masks are required by all attendees to enter the event, and as you are moving around the event unless seated with your party.
- Masks will be worn by volunteers and staff.
- With a full day ticket to the event, guests will be allowed to exit and re-enter allowing for less than capacity at different times of the day.
- A separate entrance and exit will be available for the event preventing congestion.
- Hand sanitation stations will be available for vendors, volunteers and guests throughout the venue.
- Enhanced cleaning and sanitation of common touch points will be conducted.
- All vendors, performers, staff and volunteers will be adhering to COVID-19 policies and procedures and will be subject to symptom monitoring protocol.
- If any vendor, performer, staff or volunteer is feeling sick or has had close contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID, they will not be allowed to participate in the event.
- FIBArk's website and event registration page will encourage all competitors and participants to be fully vaccinated before attending the festival.
- Signage will be placed in the Whitewater Spectator Area and Riverside Park to maintain social distancing from people outside your party.
- Volunteers will be staged at the Hooligan, Hill Climb, and Raft Rodeo event to minimize crowding if necessary.
- Events will be livestreamed and event messaging will note as such should attendees arrive at an event and find it too crowded to watch in person.,

RESTRICTED ACCESS TO SACKETT (EMERGENCY)

FOOD TRUCKS AND VENDERS BLOCKS VIEW TO EVENT

GATED ENTRY(2)

BEER SALES ACCESS TO EVENT ONLY

PORTA POTTIES
(would be
located inside
fence)

MAIN GATE AND WRIST BAND ISSUE

FIBARK Banner



TICKETED EVENT AREA
APPROXIMATLY 65,000 sf

SPONSOR AND OUTREACH VENDORS

F STREET CLOSED TO PUBLIC

SERVICE ACCESS

Figure 1 - Riverside Park



Figure 2 - Whitewater Park Spectator Area

Attachment A

the City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department and FIBArk Community Paddling Center

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) sets forth the terms of an agreement between the City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department (the City) and FIBArk Community Paddling Center (FCPC) for the FIBArk June Festival (Festival), June 17-20, 2021.

Background

The City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department and FCPC are entering into this agreement to clarify the duties of each party as it pertains to the 2021 Festival.

Purpose

This MOU is an overview of the services agreed to by the City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department and FCPC. The City and FCPC will work together to determine the schedule for the festival, including the day and time for all planned events.

1. The City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department will provide or facilitate the following components of the 2021 FIBArk event.
 - a. Land races include the Tenderfoot Hill Climb, 10k, 5k, Beginner Mountain Bike Race, Sport Mountain Bike Race, Expert Mountain Bike Race and 10k Trail run.
 - b. The City will promote FIBArk through social media and print media with the designs/graphics provided by FCPC.
 - c. The City will manage the following aspects of the land races: race timer management, course marking and signage, volunteer management, and day of race administration.
 - d. The City will provide appropriate amenities for race participants for all land races.
 - e. The City will create awards categories, procure prizes, and present awards in cooperation with FCPC for all land races.
 - f. The City will event insurance for all land races.
 - g. The City will provide number plates for all land races.
 - h. The City will provide 20 porta potties for Riverside Park, 8 porta potties for the Boat Ramp, and 4 porta potties for the F Street Lot to be sited in coordination with FCPC. Should plans for the festival change, the number of porta potties can be changed in coordination with FCPC.
 - i. The City will provide trash and recycling services. The City will coordinate with FCPC to develop a trash management plan to be adhered to during the festival that will include providing sufficient receptacles in Riverside Park and around the

Attachment A

whitewater park, resources (staff, equipment) to empty receptacles and move trash and recyclables to roll-aways, and roll-aways.

- j. A city staff member will attend FCPC festival planning meetings.
 - k. The City will allow use of all electrical outlets in Riverside Park consistent with FCPC's park permit.
2. FCPC will provide or facilitate the following components of this year's FIBArk event.
- a. FCPC will promote FIBArk events through social media and print media
 - b. FCPC will plan and manage all river races.
 - c. FCPC will provide the administration including timing and volunteer organization for river races.
 - d. FCPC will provide the following for all land races: online registration (no day-of registration will be offered), permitting, competitor t-shirts.
 - e. FCPC will provide event insurance for the river races.
 - f. FCPC will provide medals for all river races, 10k, 5k, mountain bike races (beginner, sport, expert), triple crown, and 10k trail run.
 - g. FCPC agrees to place the Parks and Recreation logo on all shirts, banners, and advertising for the festival.
 - h. FCPC will be responsible for music booking, sound/stage equipment, ticket sales, security, MC, food vendor booking, beer tent, as well as any other requirements listed in the City's park rental agreement.
 - i. FCPC will attend all required meetings by the City for festival planning/permitting purposes.

Reporting

The City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department will evaluate the effectiveness of this agreement after June 30th. The City will provide FCPC any pertinent details regarding the programming and surveys taken after the festival. In August 2021, FCPC and the City will have a meeting to evaluate the festival and identify what worked well and what could be improved for future FIBArk festivals, as well as the City and FIBArk's partnership in future festivals.

Funding

FCPC and the City agree to the following revenue split contingent upon the mutually agreed completion of the responsibilities described above.

- FCPC will retain all revenue earned from any river based events.
- FCPC will retain 50% and the City will retain 50% of the gross revenue generated via the FIBArk land races.
- FCPC will retain all revenue earned from any alcohol sales hosted in Riverside Park.
- The City agrees to waive all permit fees owed by the FCPC.
- FCPC will provide the City 10% of profits from ticket sales.

Duration

Attachment A

This MOU is at-will and may be modified by the mutual consent of authorized officials from the City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department and FCPC. This MOU shall become effective upon signature by the authorized officials from the City of Salida Parks and Recreation Department and FCPC and will remain in effect until modified or terminated by any one of the partners by mutual consent. In the absence of mutual agreement by the authorized officials from the City of Salida Recreation Department and FCPC, this MOU shall end on December 30th, 2021.

Contact Information

Partner name: City of Salida Department of Recreation

Partner representative:

Position:

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Partner name: FIBArk Community Paddling Center

Partner representative:

Position:

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Telephone:

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Date:

(Partner signature)

(Partner name, organization, position)

Salida Special Event Emergency Action Plan

I, the undersigned, agree to comply with the following Emergency Action Plan to the best of my ability. The first person on this list will be the designated Emergency Manager and will take responsibility for public addresses and instruction to the event participants.

Emergency Manager (1 lead, 2 alternates)	Contact info 1	Contact info 2	Signature
1. <u>Lindsay Saffa-Stevens</u>	<u>601-818-3801</u>		
2. <u>Sarah Briam</u>	<u>970-471-9951</u>		
3. <u>Lucas Bare</u>	<u>505-310-3427</u>		
4.			

Please complete the following template according to your Events plan and location.

The following procedures should be followed in the event of an emergency.

Communications

- The manager or designee will communicate the designated evacuation space to participants at the beginning of the event.
- The Emergency Manager will communicate to the event participants in an emergency with a
 - ☐ Bull Horn
 - ☒ PA system
 - ☐ Emergency level voice

Fire

- Call 911
- Assist injured or disabled personnel.
- Evacuate the building. Activate emergency shutoffs if available.
- Attempt to use a fire extinguisher only if you have been trained.
- Evacuate participant to

Medical Emergency

- Identify the medical emergency.
- If life threatening, call 911.
- Administer first aid if properly trained.
- Evacuate the injured person to

Violent incident

- Call 911.
- Attempt to avoid the situation - move participants away
- Try to deny contact-evacuate to FIBARK tent staged in Riverside Park
lock/block doors, turn off lights, silence phones.
- If necessary defend - distract, attack, subdue.

Severe Weather/Natural incident

- Move participants away from threat if possible.
- Evacuate to Park exits at F + Sackett Streets.
- Call 911

Urgent Situation (suspicious person, package, activity or bomb threat)

- Call 911.
- State who, what, where, when, why, and how situation occurred.
- If bomb threat, turn off all electronics.