

### 2020 Piney Hills Classic Covid-19 Plan

August 20, 2021

The 2021 Piney Hills Classic Covid-19 Plan has put together a plan that will promote distancing/use of personal protective equipment (PPE)/sanitization in order to keep everyone safe.

We are looking at state and Parish data and process changes on a daily basis and also coordinating with our local government entities to adopt best practices and adhere to safety promulgations.

## **Race Day Registration:**

To simplify our day of operations, we have decided to extend our online registration to Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Online registration will close at 5pm. Participants will be able to register at <a href="https://www.bikereg.com/pineyhillsclassic">www.bikereg.com/pineyhillsclassic</a>. We will not have race day registration on Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure your friends that are interested in racing are aware!

## **Symptom Waiver:**

During number plate pick-up (race number), all participants must complete a waiver noting that the participant has been symptom free 14 days prior to the event.

### Online event waiver signature:

One year ago, USA Cycling moved to an electronic waiver signature format in BikeReg. There is no longer a need for the participant to touch a pen & paper. This new process speeds up the racer check-in process.

## Number plate/race number pickup:

Number plate/race number pickup is scheduled on Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup> from 1pm-5pm and on race day, Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> starting at 7am. We will schedule this so that only one participant picks up their number plate at a time. Race staff handling this process would have appropriate PPE and tables will have hand sanitizer available. We will also have enough masks to hand out to participants in case they do not have their own, as we require them to wear one during this short process.

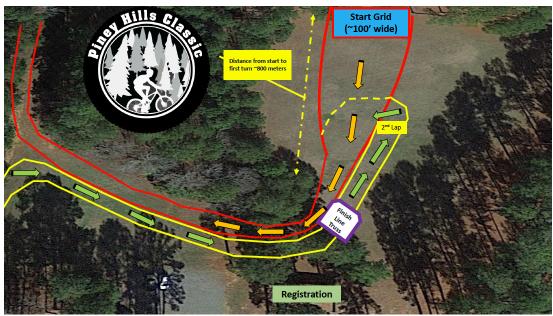
### **Temperature check:**

We have a non-contact infrared forehead thermometer that will be used to check all participants and volunteers.

#### **Event Start:**

In the past we have had a wave start where all participants in each category start at once under the grid start line (8 riders per line). We are moving to a motocross style start in which all riders in the same age/category will start in a 100 feetlong line, they will ride along a straight open field and will have ~800 meters before the first turn. Please refer to the 2021 Piney Hills Classic start/finish line map below. View larger image of the below map.





## **Neutral Feed Zones:**

Everything will be sanitized. For the Cat 1 race, we will have tables with disposable, unopened water bottles and a water cooler that has been retrofitted with a touch-less spout and pedal so racers can refill their water (see image below). All volunteers will have PPE at these stations and sanitizing supplies to ensure thorough cleaning throughout the event.



# **Award Pickup:**

All awards will begin following the last race of the day. We require that a mask be worn during this process and we will have extra on hand in case someone does not have one.

# **PPE for Volunteers:**

All volunteers will be provided with PPE to use in case they do not already have their own.

Covid-19 is going to be with us for years to come. We need to begin learning how to live life with it in as safe a manner as possible. We feel that the logistical changes we are making to our event are a step in Revised on August 20, 2021



the right direction that will allow it to happen while keeping all participants, spectators, and volunteers safe.

See you at the Lincoln Parrish Park to celebrate our 29<sup>th</sup> Piney Hills Classic!

Healthy Regards,

The Piney Hills Classic Team