



## Colorado Classic Kicks Off Thursday In Steamboat Springs

*Mt. Werner Road From Pine Grove to CR 14 to Experience Closures*

**STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, COLORADO-August 21, 2019**-Nearly 100 of the world's best women professional cyclists from 16 teams will kick off the 2019 Colorado Classic in Steamboat Springs during Stage 1 this Thursday, August 22. The one-lap 53 mile stage runs from approximately 11:30am to 1:45pm.

In an effort to ensure the safety of the riders, spectators watching and motorists, the City of Steamboat Springs will see the following closures during the day on Thursday. Additional closures will occur as the race progresses around the county on CO 131, CR 14, CR 27, CR 33, CR 43, CR 41 and CR 35. All closures are under the control of the Colorado State Patrol.

### US40/Mt. Werner On/Off Ramps

This closure runs in the morning from around 11am to 11:30am while the caravan heads out from the starting line. The ramps close again in the afternoon (~12:45pm to 1:50pm) when riders race to the finish. The ramps will be reopen in between the departure and arrival of racers, but anticipate delays and slow travel through this area.

### Mt. Werner/Pine Grove Roads & Intersection

Again, closures will take place during the morning and afternoon similar to the US40/Mt. Werner timeframe for Pine Grove Road from Bangtail Way to Mt. Werner, the Mt. Werner/Pine Grove Rd intersection and down Mt. Werner to County Rd 14.



Alternative routes are recommended during the three-hour race window. Motorists should consider using Steamboat Blvd or Walton Creek Road to reach the mountain area. In addition, Pine Grove to Central Park to Steamboat Blvd is another option to bypass the race activity.

Steamboat Springs Transit may also experience delays on the Red Line if buses are delayed at its stops at Central Park Plaza and along Mt. Werner between Marketplace Plaza and the Mt. Werner/Pine Grove intersection during the morning and afternoon race closures. SST riders can access [steamboatsprings.net/sst](http://steamboatsprings.net/sst) to see your bus in real-time information as well as estimated arrival and departure times.

The Colorado Classic will host an Expo in the Meadows Parking Lot, also the start/finish area. See teams warming up, witness racer sign in, watch all the action on the big screen, enjoy food and drinks and grab official race merchandize all in one location. Expo parking is from Bangtail Way, using the east entrance. Consider using JD Hays Way, Owl Hoot Trail or Broomtail Lane to reach Bangtail Way and avoid the Pine Grove/Mt. Werner intersection. Of course, the best way would be to bike or walk.

The Colorado Classic® presented by VF Corporation (Aug 22-25, 2019) is one of the premier standalone pro women's cycling races in the world. The world's best racers from 16 teams will compete in the UCI 2.1 four-stage race, coursing through Steamboat Springs, Avon, Golden and Denver. To learn more about the Colorado Classic presented by VF Corporation, visit [coloradoclassic.com](http://coloradoclassic.com) or follow @coloradoclassicpro on [Instagram](https://www.instagram.com/coloradoclassicpro) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/coloradoclassicpro) for the latest updates.

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