

RESOLUTION 15-74

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH AUTHORIZING TEMPORARY ROAD CLOSURES ON PORTIONS OF FRONT BEACH ROAD AND SR 79 ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2015 TO PERMIT THE 2015 GULF COAST TRIATHLON.

WHEREAS, the 2015 Gulf Coast Triathlon has been scheduled for Saturday, May 9, 2015 in Panama City Beach; and

WHEREAS, the occasion necessitates careful traffic control and extraordinary usage of certain sections of Front Beach Road (U.S. Highway 98A) and SR 79 within the corporate limits of Panama City Beach.

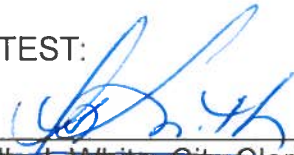
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL of Panama City Beach that the City hereby authorizes the temporary closure of the eastbound lane of South Thomas Drive and the southbound lane of Joan Avenue between Thomas Drive and Surf Drive during the hours of 6:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., on May 9, 2015, and the temporary closure of South Thomas Drive between Front Beach Road and Thomas Drive, except to local traffic only, between 5:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M., on May 9, 2015, and directs that all traffic at be controlled in accordance with the maps which accompany this Resolution.


PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED in regular session of the Panama City Beach City Council this 26th day of March, 2015.

CITY OF PANAMA CITY BEACH

By: 
Gayle F. Oberst, Mayor

ATTEST:



Holly J. White, City Clerk

Jo Smith, Deputy City Clerk



March 10, 2015

Mario Gisbert
City of Panama City Beach
110 South Arnold Rd.
Panama City Beach, FL 32413

Dear Mr. Gisbert,

We respectfully request the closure of the eastbound lane of S. Thomas Drive and the southbound lane of Joan Avenue between Thomas Drive and Surf Drive during the race on Saturday, May 9, 2015 between the hours of 6am and 4pm. Also the closure of S. Thomas Drive between Front Beach Road and Thomas Drive, except to local traffic only, between 5am and 4pm. The purpose of this request is to address safety concerns on the run portion of the race course. We plan to use cones, barricades and sign starting 500 ft. prior to the stop points and have law enforcement assistance as well.

We are conscious of the business concerns in the area. The affected business identified is the Boardwalk Beach Resort. We have contacted the owners and they have given their approval for the closure. As you know, the triathlon falls during a shoulder season and traffic is not heavy otherwise.

Best regards,

Shelley Bramblett

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Race Director

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Aid Stations are numerous with the friendliest volunteers offering you encouragement and assistance. Stations will have water, Gatorade, fruit, Clif Gel, and cola.

Communication between aid stations and the base station located at the finish line medical station is available to all triathletes experiencing medical or other problems.

Run Details

The 13.1-mile out and back run course starts and finishes at the Edgewater Beach & Golf Resort. The run will begin at the transition area immediately after the bicycle segment of the race.

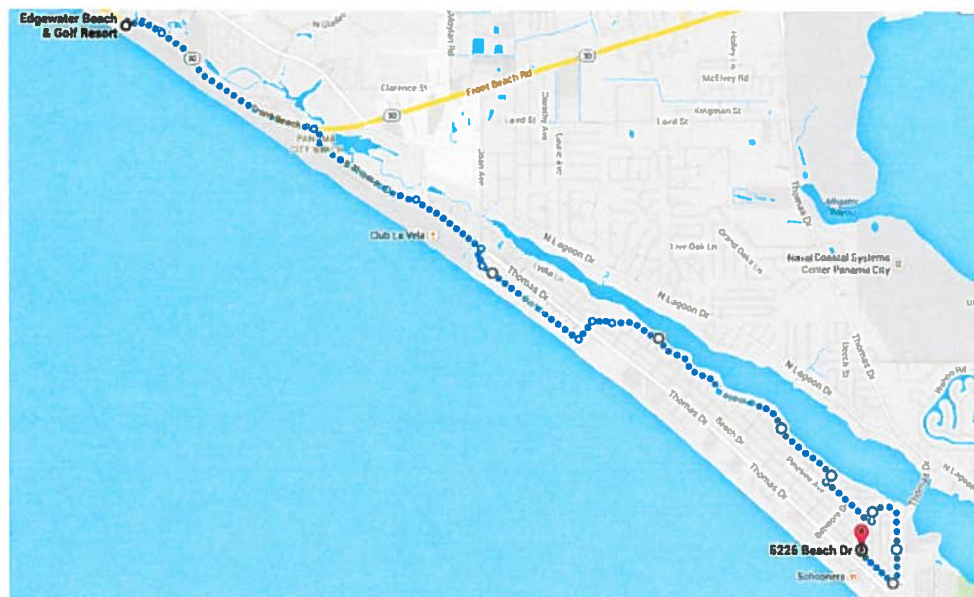
There will be mile markers and aid stations approximately every mile. Traffic cones separate the runners from the traffic where necessary. The traffic cones will not block the flow of traffic. Numerous signs are posted to inform the local traffic of the race in progress and GCT volunteers will be used to keep runners on course.

The run course is described below.

1. Start at Edgewater Beach & Golf Resort , 11212 Front Beach Rd, Panama City Beach, FL 32407
2. Head north toward Front Beach Rd 82 ft
3. Turn right onto Front Beach Rd 0.2 mi
4. Slight right to stay on Front Beach Rd 1.0 mi
5. Turn right onto S Thomas Dr. 0.8 mi
6. Turn right to stay on S Thomas Dr. 0.5 mi
7. Turn right onto Joan Ave 0.1 mi
8. Turn left onto Surf Dr. 0.7 mi
9. Turn left onto Utes St 0.1 mi
10. Utes St turns slightly right and becomes Sunset Ave 0.1 mi
11. Slight left onto S Lagoon Dr. 1.6 mi
12. Turn right onto Mystic St 276 ft
13. Turn left onto Hilltop Ave 0.3 mi
14. Turn left onto Treasure Cir 0.6 mi

15. Turn right onto Beach Dr. 0.3 mi
16. Turn Around at 5226 Beach Dr. and follow reciprocal path back to Edgewater Beach Resort.

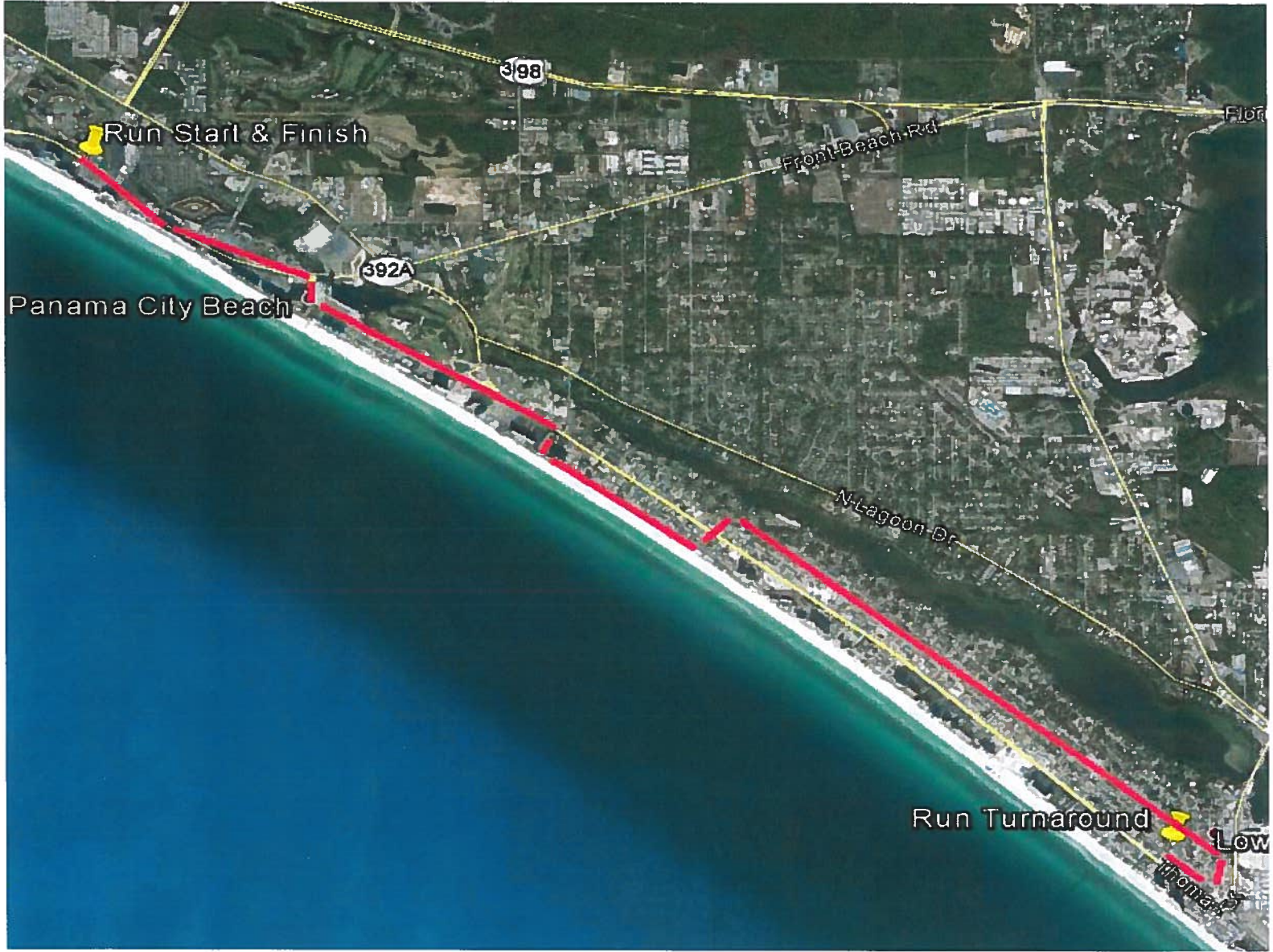
Run Map



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The run course will have mile markers and aid stations approximately every mile staffed with friendly volunteers offering you encouragement and assistance. Stations will have water, Gatorade, fruit, Clif Blocks, and cola. Communication between aid stations and the base station located at the finish line medical station is available to all triathletes experiencing medical or other problems.

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Numerous signs are posted to inform the local traffic of the race in progress and GCT volunteers will direct athletes to keep you on course. When entering or exiting the bike transition, you will be instructed to walk. Always keep your chinstrap fastened. An unfastened chinstrap is cause for immediate disqualification.

Sag wagons will be on the course to transport triathletes back to the transition area who have experienced mechanical or other problems.

Drafting will not be tolerated. There will be 7 USA Triathlon officials. Head official is Ben Hughes. Motorcycles with trained draft marshal deputies will be controlling the bike course.

Bike Turn-by-turn

Start at Edgewater Beach & Golf Resort, 11212 Front Beach Rd

1. Turn left onto Front Beach Rd
2. Continue on Front Beach Rd to HWY 79
3. Head north on HWY 79 to Pine Log Rd
4. Head west on Pine Log Rd about 5.2 miles and turn around at dirt road
5. Continue east on Pine Log Rd to HWY 79 and turn right
6. Head south on HWY 79 to Steel Field Rd
7. Turn right on Steel Field Rd and turn around about 5 miles
8. Head west on Steel Field Rd to HWY 70 and turn right
9. Head south on HWY 79 to Front Beach Rd and turn left.
10. Head east on front Beach Rd and finish at Edgewater Beach resort.

AID STATIONS

The bike course has aid stations approximately every 8-12 miles staffed with friendly volunteers offering encouragement and replenishments. Stations will have water, Gatorade Endurance Formula, Clif Bars, Clif Bloks and fruit.

Bike Map

