

2019 Hardrock Hundred Mile Endurance Run Press Release

Tackling one of the world's most challenging and demanding individual sporting events
100 miles, 66,000 feet of climb and descent, 48 hours to finish
Surviving to finish the ultimate test of endurance sports
This is the essence of the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run

For Immediate Release

Durango, CO - Due to historic snowfall, avalanches, avalanche debris, an inability to reach certain aid stations and uncertain conditions on more than 40% of the course, the 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run has been canceled. This decision, while difficult, adheres to the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run's overall commitment to land stewardship and the safety of the Hardrock community.

The Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run committee's decision to cancel the 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run was based on a thorough and complete evaluation of all available information and utilized a number of key resources to support its decision. Firsthand course trail reconnaissance combined with assembled trail reports, key and valuable input from the Bureau of Land Management and the US Forestry Service and the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run committee and Board of Directors all served to guide the decision-making process.

"After an extensive process, it became clear that the uncertainty associated with the condition of the course and the issues that the uncertainty caused among our organizational components meant we could not organize and administer a safe and meaningful 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run that was consistent with the standards and values Hardrock has become known for," said Run Director, Dale Garland. "While snow and snow water equivalent levels looked to be dropping to manageable levels, other issues such as unprecedented avalanche debris, unstable snow bridges and high-water levels all contributed to us reaching the tough final decision that we did."

All runners who are entered in the 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run as of June 10th, 2019 will have the option of either rolling over their entry into the 2020 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run or withdrawing their entry slot and receiving a full refund of their entry fee. Entrants must notify the Run Director, Dale Garland, by email (dale@hardrock100.com) by July 12th, 2019 if they wish to withdraw; otherwise they will be considered to have elected to roll over their entry into the 2020 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run. Any withdrawals after July 12th, 2019 will receive the usual 50% refund of their entry fee. The wait lists, as they stand on June 10th, 2019 will also roll over to 2020 and any entry slots that open up will be filled from them. There will not be a lottery for the 2020 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run, and no additional applications will be taken. Runners will not be required to do another qualifier to run the 2020 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run.

Service requirements already satisfied for the 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run will apply to the 2020 run. Those individuals who have not yet completed their Service Requirement must do so before July 1st, 2020, and we must receive their Service Agreement Form before July 6th, 2020, or they will be removed from the entrant list. The waits lists will be purged of any runners who have not yet turned in their Service Requirement Form on July 6th, 2020.

The Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run understands that many people already have their plans finalized. With that in mind, the Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run is looking at alternative activities to undertake for those individuals who are still planning to be in Silverton in July. Both the Hardrock Hundred website and our social media channels will be updated accordingly as those activities become finalized.

If you would like more information on the decision to cancel the 2019 Hardrock Hundred Endurance Run, please contact:

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