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DATE: 04/08/2015

NATURE OF INCIDENT: Traffic Advisory

CASE NO.:

INCIDENT DATE :04/11/2015

INCIDENT TIME: 9:00 a.m.

INCIDENT LOCATION: Downtown Duluth

SUBJECT: Traffic Advisory for Fitger's 5k Race

BY: DPD Public Information Officer R. Tinsley (218) 730-5722

Traffic Advisory

Fitger's 5k Race will be held on Saturday, April 11th, 2015 with a 9:00 a.m. start time.

On Saturday, April 11th, beginning at 8:30 a.m. traffic will be diverted from portions of Superior Street in Downtown Duluth, Lake Avenue and Railroad Street for the Fitger's 5K Race.

Motorists should obey temporary "No Parking" areas on Superior Street from Lake Avenue to 8th Avenue East, and the West side of Lake Avenue South from Railroad Street down to the Aerial Lift Bridge. Violators will be cited and towed.

Traffic delays will occur for approximately 2 hours as traffic will be diverted off of Superior Street between Lake Ave and 8th Avenues East. East bound traffic is urged to use 2nd Street, and West bound urged to use 1st or 3rd Streets.

Motorists should be alert for officers directing traffic Downtown, in the Canal Park area and near the DECC.

South Lake Avenue Viaduct

The up bound lanes on the East side of South Lake Avenue Viaduct over I-35 will be closed to traffic and used for runners. The down bound lanes on the West side of the South Lake Avenue Viaduct will be coned for 2-way vehicle traffic. The two freeway ramps on the East side of the Viaduct (North bound I-35 On-Ramp and south bound I-35 Off-Ramp onto Lake Avenue) will both be closed during the race. The two freeway ramps on the West side of the Viaduct (The North bound I-35 Off-Ramp onto Lake Avenue and the South bound I-35 Entrance Ramp) will remain open.

Railroad Street

Railroad Street will be barricaded and signed closed at Garfield Avenue, however, vehicles MAY ENTER onto Railroad street at Garfield to access local businesses, but will not be allowed further west than 8th Avenue West, which is the turnaround point of the race.

Ramp Exit to Railroad Street

The exit ramp onto Railroad Street from North bound I-35 will be closed.

DECC Parking Lot

The ONLY access to the DECC from 8:30a.m. until around 10:00 a.m. will be down 5th Avenue West to Harbor Drive to the DECC East Lot Gate (near the William Irvin Tour Boat.). At around 10:00 a.m., Railroad Street and the DECC North Gate will re-open to traffic. The DECC will not be accessible via Lake Avenue until about 10 a.m.

Canal Park and Park Point

Motorists driving to Canal Park or Park Point must use the South Lake Avenue Viaduct. Canal Park Drive from Railroad Street to Morse Street will be closed briefly during the event.

Canal Park Hotels

Hotels lots on Canal Park Drive will be closed down briefly until the start of the race has completed (from about 8:45 - 9:30 a.m.). After all participants have passed through that area of Canal Park Drive, lots will re-open. Motorists wishing to get to the DECC from Canal Park need to use the Lake Avenue Viaduct to Superior Street, then to 5th Avenue West and down to Harbor Drive to the DECC East Lot Gate (near the William Irvin Tour Boat).

Fitger's and Pickwick Parking Lots

The Fitger's Ramp and Pickwick Lot will be closed just before the race, and will open immediately after.

Traffic should return to normal by approximately 10:30 a.m. The Fitger's 5K Race is sponsored by the Fitger's Brewery Complex and Grandma's Marathon

