



TSCO "Vegas to Reno"

The Longest Off-Road Race in the United States

This year's **TSCO "Vegas to Reno"** – which is certifiably the Longest Off-Road Race in the United States at 457.5 miles, is already creating excitement among the off-road racing community. Casey Folks, Director of the Best in the Desert series, said, "2008 has already been a huge growth year for Best In The Desert off road desert racing in terms of participants. We are excited that the **TSCO "Vegas to Reno"** event, our flagship race, will carry on that momentum. Not only is this going to be a big event but it's also the 12th running of **TSCO "Vegas to Reno."** This race is open to all Best In The Desert classes – cars, trucks, UTVs, quads and motorcycles. And, with the ongoing changes in off-road racing, we expect over 300 entries."

Folks worked closely with the BLM to set up a course that avoids endangered species, and does not harm the environment. The course just changed to a start area 6.5 miles north of the town of Beatty, Nevada, with all classes off on Friday, August 22nd. Originally part of the Bullfrog Mining District, today Beatty serves as an important gateway to Death Valley, and is 115 miles from Las Vegas. The course traverses a part of the legendary Pony Express Trail made famous 148 years ago, and finishes up east of Reno, Nevada.

The TSCO "Vegas to Reno" race takes racers from the high desert floor at 2,500 feet elevation to mountainous heights of over 9,000 feet, forcing competitors to adjust to the changing pressures, and endure extreme hot and cold temperature variations.

This course features some of the toughest, and most varied terrain in the world. On the dry lakebed portions of the route speeds over 100 MPH are typical. Racers must fight their way through narrow canyons, boulder lined paths, and deep silt beds.

Pre Fun Run details:

Friday, August 1, 2008 - Pre-Fun Run Registration, 1-night in Beatty

Saturday, August 2, 2008 - Pre-Fun Run starts, 1-night in Tonopah

Sunday, August 3, 2008 - Pre-Fun Run continues

Contingency is set for Thursday, August 21st at the South Point Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada. Time Trials for the top 20 starting positions will be Thursday morning, August 21st in Las Vegas. Class 1400 Trick Trucks, and Class 1500 Unlimited Cars only. The traditional BBQ and an after-race party will take place at the awards presentation in Reno on Saturday, August 23rd at the new Terrible's Sands Regency Hotel.

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