



Announcement Regarding the 2020 Road Race Management Race Directors' Meeting

We have wrestled over proceeding as planned with the Road Race Management Race Directors' Meeting this November and have reluctantly concluded that we cannot hold the meeting under the limitations imposed by COVID-19.

We pride ourselves on offering a quality product. We feel strongly that our meeting is more intimate than others and provides not only educational enrichment, but equally importantly socializing and camaraderie opportunities. We are often told how much that means to our attendees who find our meeting special. We never want to risk losing that.

In discussions with the Hollywood Beach Marriott, it became clear that with social distancing requirements, the "feel" of the meeting would be very different. The receptions and meal functions would be very spaced out, and both the sessions and the Trade Exhibit would require extreme spacing - not a great way to engender group dynamics.

We explored a virtual meeting, which so many others have been quick to rush to, but we felt that our special in-person interaction among faculty, attendees, sponsors and exhibitors could not be replicated in that environment, and while we would attract some attendees for sure, the product would not meet our standards. We also hope many of you will appreciate an escape from a few days of seemingly endless Zoom meetings.

Thank you for your continued support, and we hope to see many of you **November 15 - 17, 2021**.

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