

# SOUTHEAST MINNESOTA – HONORING OUR 54<sup>ST</sup> YEAR

Saturday, June 15 & Sunday, June 16, 2024

Sanctioned by UMECRA, MnDRA & AERC

**Location:** Forestville State Park, 6 miles SW of Preston or 6 miles SE of Spring Valley, MN. Take MN Hwy 16 and turn South on Fillmore County 5. See map on back of page. Ride headquarters will be the Horse Camp in the State Park. Park admission stickers, camping fees, and trail pass required. **Get your trail pass online:**

<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/licenses/online-sales.html> Revenue from horse trail passes in MN goes directly to state horse camps and trails!

**State Park telephone: 507-352-5111.**

**Camping:** Reservations can be made at 120 days in advance. Phone 1-866-857-2757 or <https://reservemn.usedirect.com/MinnesotaWeb/> There is an additional fee for each campsite reserved. If no reservations are available please wait until closer to ride date – there are always cancellations – even 3 days before the ride. (Please watch MnDRA FB group) Or stay at nearby Maple Springs Campground adjacent to the park. (You will have to haul in.)

**Facilities:** Some electric hook-ups, outdoor relief stations and water available at the horse camp. Hot showers are located in the people camp, a short drive away.

**Trail:** The park has 18 miles of limestone trail. Shoes or boots highly recommended. Terrain consists of hills threading through hardwood forests with 7 water crossings.

**Pre-registration greatly appreciated! Deadline: Friday, June 7.**

<b>Saturday, June 15</b>	<b>Start time</b>	<b>Fee</b>
50 mile Endurance	not before 6 am	\$90 adult/\$60 jr.
25 mile LD	45 minutes after endurance	\$80 adult/\$50 jr.
25 mile Competitive	8 am	\$65 adult/\$45 jr.
<b>Sunday, June 18</b>	<b>Start time</b>	<b>Fee</b>
25 mile LD	6:00 am	\$80 adult/\$50 jr.
25 mile Competitive	6:30 am	\$65 adult/\$45 jr.

*-Did you ride on Saturday? \$20 discount if your ride a 25 mile comp on Sunday!*

**SORRY** – No 15 mile Novice this year due to trail bridge construction

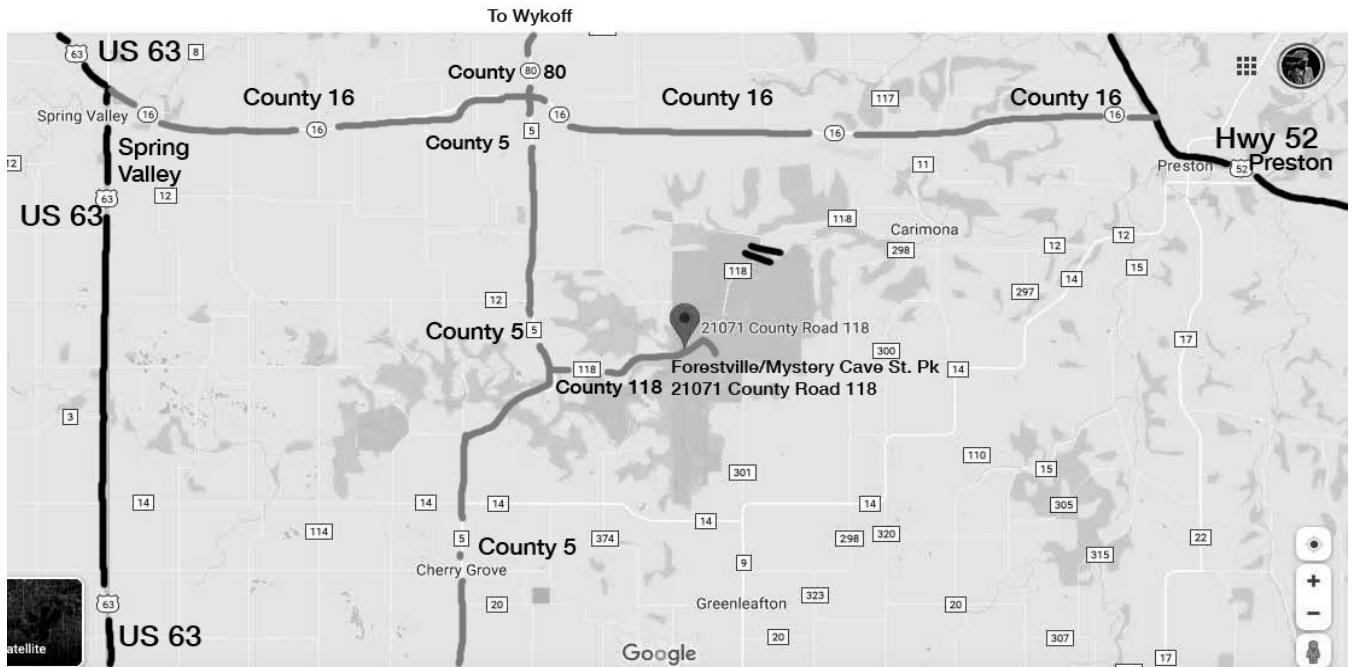
\*\*Endurance & LD - \$20/day-rider fee without paid AERC membership card

Mail ride entries, copy of current Coggins & check to:  
Theresa Meyer, 3028 181<sup>st</sup> Ave. NW, Cedar, MN 55011  
Or: [thmeyer753@gmail.com](mailto:thmeyer753@gmail.com)

Online registration & payment: <https://mndra.com/registration>

**Protections for public health may be in place.**

**Potluck Saturday evening – main dish provided. Please bring a dish to pass.**



**STATE PARK ADDRESS: FORESTVILLE/MYSTERY CAVE STATE PARK**  
21071 County Road 118  
Preston, MN 55965

Use the above ^^ **Park Office address**, not your GPS default. ***DO NOT*** put "Forestville Horse Camp" into your GPS!!! You will get to a LOCKED gate, very close to the camp. You cannot enter camp this way.

There is only one common entry point for the horse camp from the west side of the park. From Fillmore County 16, turn onto Fillmore County 5 South then turn left to County 118. Do not attempt to enter the park from any other road!!!!

\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT and serious information about camping: **If your plans change and someone other than yourself will be occupying your site, you MUST change the name of the CAMPSITE OCCUPANT**, either online or by phoning the state reservation number. There is a \$7 fee. Park staff need and insist they have the correct site occupant in their record for emergency/safety purposes. Cell service is not guaranteed should your loved ones at home have an emergency and to try to get in touch with you while in the park. This must be done before the **new occupant** arrives for check in at the entrance.

#### **Ride managers**

Theresa M – until Tues. night June 11 – 763-753-5236 email: thmeyer753@gmail.com  
Victoria R – 507-273-4626 email: victoriaridesviggo@gmail.com

**Cell service at park is very spotty. Plan accordingly.**