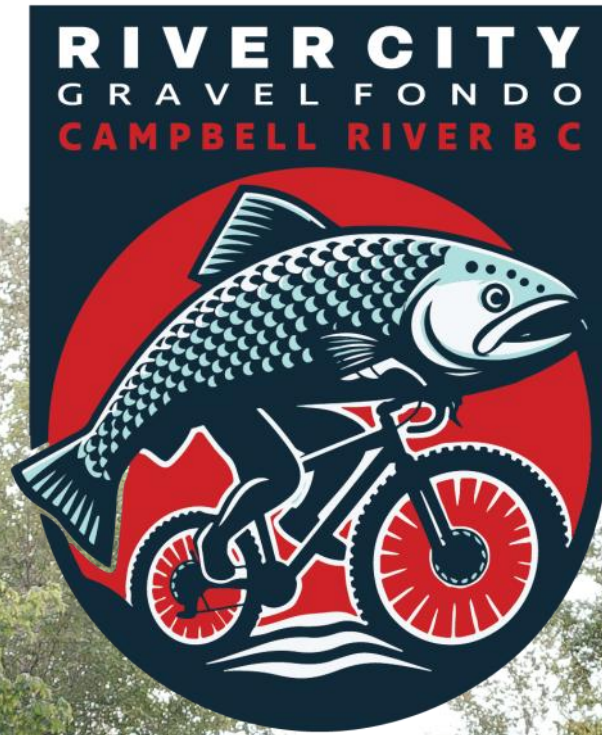




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GRAVEL SERIES
VANCOUVER ISLAND

Presented By **Bluebird Self Storage**



APRIL 12, 2025

RACE BIBLE



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EVENT DESCRIPTION



The RIVER CITY GRAVEL FONDO is the ultimate gravel adventure event, held on the gravel roads of MOSAIC FOREST MANAGEMENT and BC PARKS.

The event will occur on Sunday, April 12 and will start at the [PRT Growing Services Nursery located at 3820 Snowden Camp Rd in Campbell River](#). Participants will have option to ride 3 distances: a beginner IMPULSO route, an intermediate INTERMEDIO route, and a challenging expert ESPERTO route along some of the most pristine private gravel roads in the area. Riders are to make the best determination as to which distance suites their respective ability level.

Each rider will be responsible for printing out the map and uploading map files on their GPS. While the course will be marked, the map and GPS will guide the rider to the feed zone/ checkpoints along the route.

Upon arriving at the checkpoint, each rider is responsible for checking in. No one else can check in for a rider. The event will also consist of ride ambassadors and feed zone which will be indicated on the course map. Ride Ambassadors will be joining participants to provide ride service, mechanical support, and also assist in emergency response.

NOTE: This is an extremely remote area. Always be aware of the distance to the feed zone and checkpoint, and be prepared to travel that distance with the supplies you carry.

Please be aware... if you break down or become injured, let the nearest rider to you know so that they can relay for help. **A list of phone numbers is provided to contact. Cell coverage is very spotty**, There will be several bicycle medics spread out on the ride in addition to many ride ambassadors who will be available to respond, help, and relay communication.

FOR THE ESPERTO 128.7KM if you do not feel you are prepared to meet such a challenge, please consider the shorter route option with the Intermedio at 77.4km. **Note there will be a time cutoff of 2PM at the 70km Mark. After this time, all riders will be directed to the shortest route to return to the start/finish.**



EVENT SCHEDULE



(Please note that this may still be subject to change)

Saturday April 11, 2026

10:00 am to 5:30 pm - Check in and race package pick-up

PEDAL YOUR WORLD BIKE SHOP 465 Merecroft Rd, Campbell River, BC
V9W 6K6

Sunday April 12, 2026

7:30am to 9:00 am - Check in and package pick-up

9:15 am - Greetings, Rider's Briefing

9:30 am - All Riders Start (Self Seeded with Fastest Riders in Front)

11:00 am to 3:00 pm - Food Truck

3:00 pm - Awards Presentations

***CALL 250-415-3246 DURING EVENT IN CASE OF
NON-EMERGENCY ISSUE. FOR EMERGENCY OR
SERIOUS INCIDENT REQUIRING POLICE OR
AMBULANCE CALL 911.***

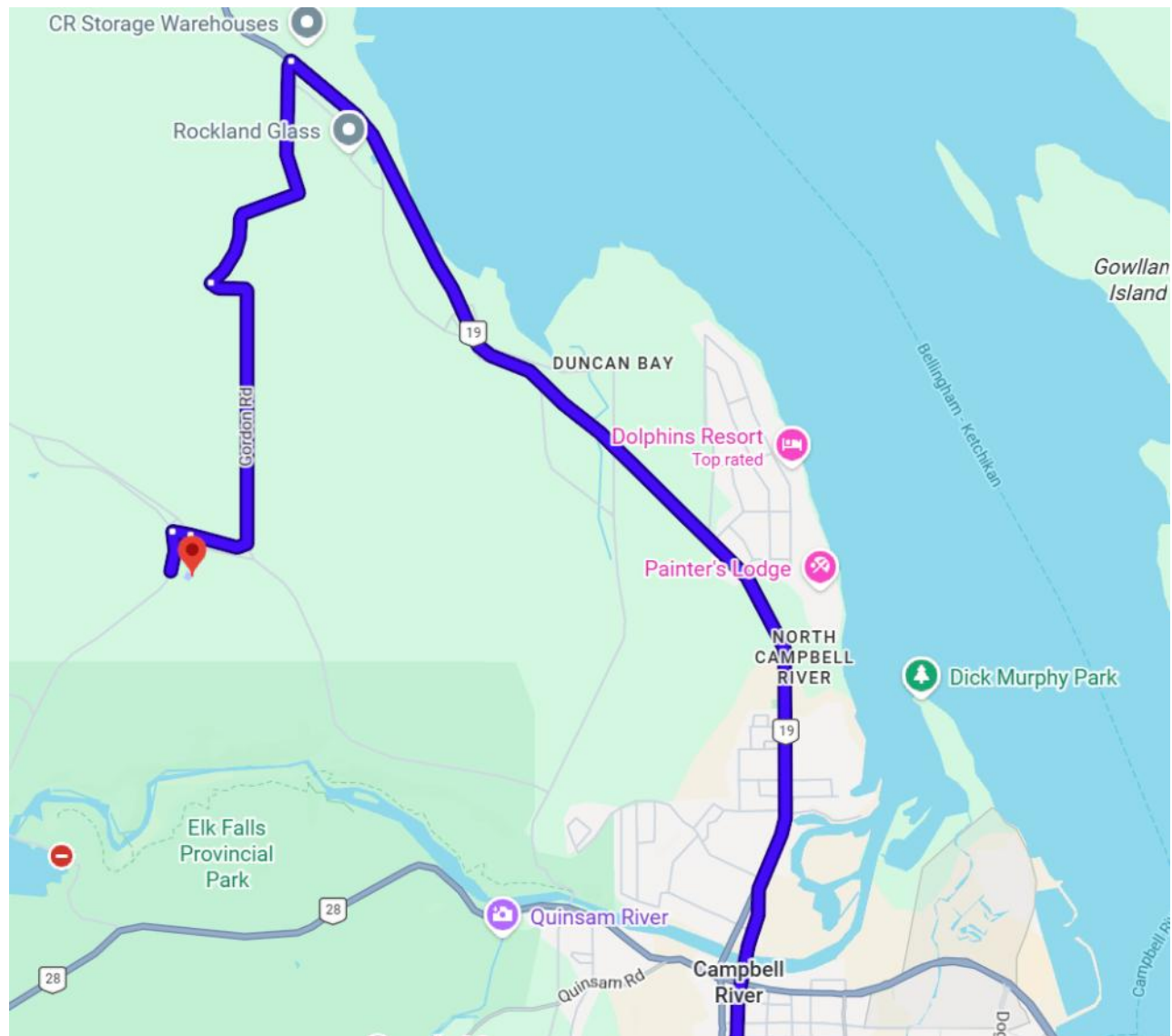


EVENT INFORMATION

HOW TO GET TO THE RACE

The event start/finish will be located at the **[PRT Growing Services Nursery located at 3820 Snowden Camp Rd in Campbell River](#)**. Follow Hwy 19 and head Northbound to Campbell River. Continue North to Duncan Bay and then turn left (WEST) on Duncan Bay Road. Then turn left on Gordon Road and follow until you reach Brewster Lake Road. Turn Right to enter the participant parking area. Follow the Signs!

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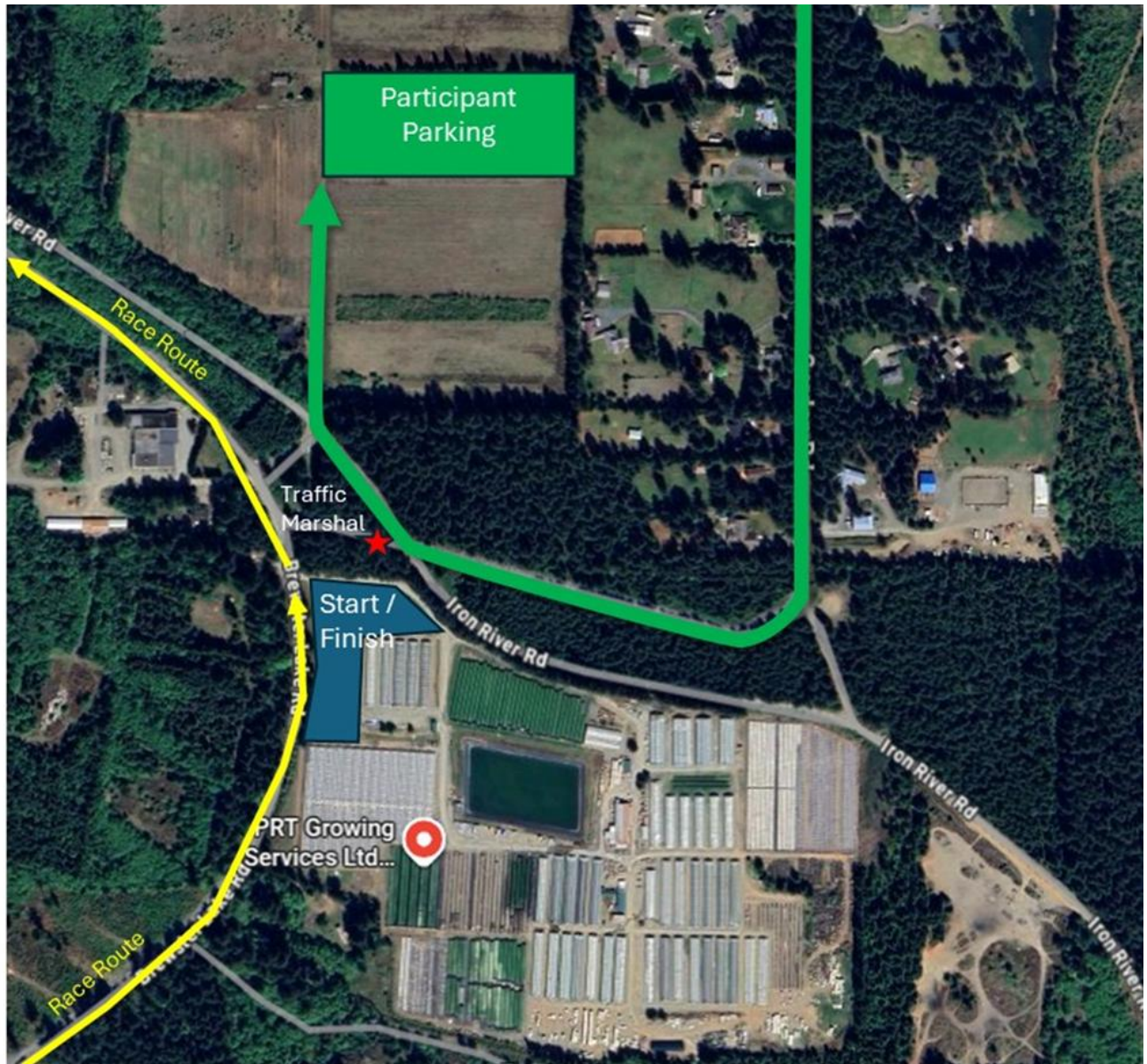




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PARKING

There is designated parking North Of [PRT Growing Services Nursery located at 3820 Snowden Camp Rd in Campbell River](#). Follow the Signs!



RELEASE OF LIABILITY, WAIVER OF CLAIMS, ASSUMPTION OF RISKS, AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (referred to as the "Release Agreement")

WARNING: BY SIGNING THIS RELEASE AGREEMENT YOU WAIVE CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS, INCLUDING YOUR RIGHT TO SUE OR CLAIM COMPENSATION PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

This Release Agreement must be completed in full, signed, dated and witnessed, and delivered to a PRT Growing Services Ltd. representative before participants are allowed to enter the Property or participate the Activities.

Participant Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

TO: PRT Growing Services Ltd., and to their officers, directors, employees, representatives, volunteers, agents, insurers, and assigns (collectively, the "Releasees")

DEFINITION: In this Release Agreement, the term "Activities" includes all activities, programs, events, and services that are provided, arranged, organized, conducted, sponsored, or authorized by any of the Releasees, and includes, without limitation, the use of or attendance upon the property located at 3820 Snowden Road, Campbell River, British Columbia (legally described as BLOCK A OF DISTRICT LOTS 176, 1375 AND 1644 SAYWARD DISTRICT AS SHOWN ON PLAN 47675 EXCEPT PLAN EPP119349, PID 012-395-196 and LOT 1 DISTRICT LOTS 176, 1375 AND 1644 SAYWARD DISTRICT PLAN EPP119349 PID 031-781-918 (the "Property"); transportation or travel to and from locations used for the Activities and all other such activities, programs, events, and services, that are in any way connected with or related to any of the foregoing. Without limiting the above in any way, "Activities" also includes:

- 1. ASSUMPTION OF RISKS. I am aware that the Activities involve certain inherent risks, dangers and hazards which can result in serious personal injury, death, property damage or other loss. The very nature of the Activities is hazardous and risky, including, but not limited to, risks involving: (a) the out-of-doors, rough terrain with obstacles and hazards, extreme or quickly changing weather conditions including extreme heat or unseasonable cold, flood, lightening, fire, windstorm, or other natural disasters, and wildlife; (b) the proximity of medical care, which may not be readily available, including a lack of first aid equipment and/or attendants on the Property; (c) circumstances where emergency equipment or arrangements may not be available, may fail, or fail to be provided in a timely way, or be negligently provided including negligence in the training of emergency procedures or the use of emergency equipment; (d) the conduct of participants and bystanders in the Activities who may be inexperienced, careless, negligent, or reckless and may, for other reasons as well, endanger the safety of other participants in the Activities, including myself; (e) failing to act safely, or within one's own ability, or to stay within designated areas; (f) failing to read and comply with signage, or with any of the Releasees' instructions; (g) theft, vandalism, and loss of personal property; and (h) NEGLIGENCE ON THE PART OF THE RELEASEES, INCLUDING FAILURE TO TAKE REASONABLE STEPS TO SAFEGUARD OR PROTECT ME FROM THE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS OF ENGAGING IN THE ACTIVITIES.

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT THE ABOVE LIST IS NOT INCLUSIVE OF ALL POSSIBLE RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS ASSOCIATED WITH THE ACTIVITIES. I HAVE INFORMED MYSELF TO MY OWN SATISFACTION OF THE NATURE OF THOSE INHERENT RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS AND I FREELY ACCEPT AND FULLY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, DANGERS, AND HAZARDS, AS WELL AS THE POSSIBILITY OF PERSONAL INJURY, DEATH, OR OTHER LOSS RESULTING THEREFROM.

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WHAT TO BRING

While we have aid stations, sweep riders, medical staff, and the support of your fellow participants, be aware that portions of the course do not have cell phone coverage. In the event of an emergency or inclement weather, you'll need to be self-sufficient. Sweeps and marshals can't bring all riders back, it's for those whom have circumstances where they can no longer progress under their own power. Take care of yourself by bringing the following on the ride:

- Rain cape or wind jacket – please bring both to race, and we'll advise at race start on which is recommended.
- Minimum 2 bottles, even a Camelbak type of drinking setup.
- Seat bag, handlebar bag, to store tools food, try not to have all your gear in your back pockets of your jersey.
- 42mm wide Tires are highly recommended in order to avoid pinch flats or punctures.
- Warm layer helmet such as cycling cap to keep your head dry and wind proof.
- Full fingered gloves.
- 2 tubes, 1 patch kit, CO2 and/or pump (a small pump is recommended).
- Bear Spray / Air Horn (We are riding in pristine wilderness and there is always a chance to encounter bears or cougars).
- Multi tool with/and a chain breaker.
- Your preferred race nutrition to supplement between aid stations
- Bicycle GPS with uploaded route, Cell phone / ID
- Arm and leg warmers
- A base underlayer
- A fender or rat-tail.

If you have any other questions about what to bring, reach out to us at info@panachecyclingsports.com



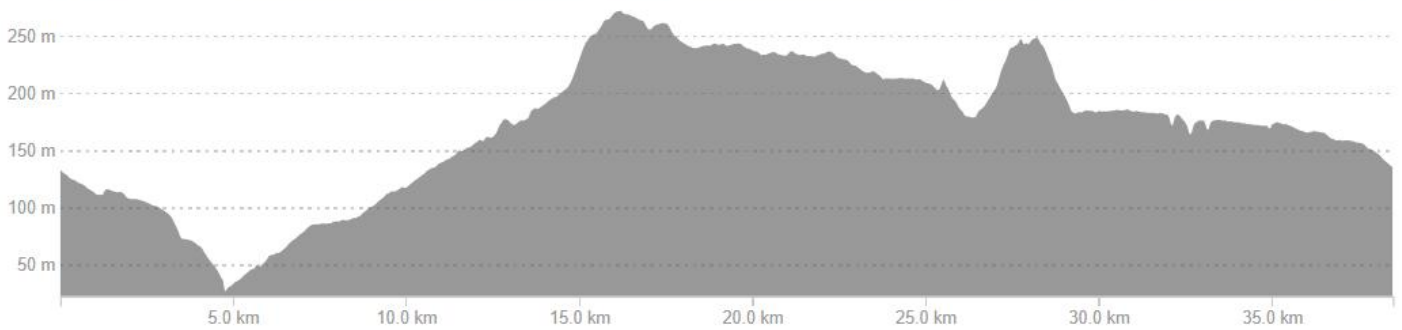
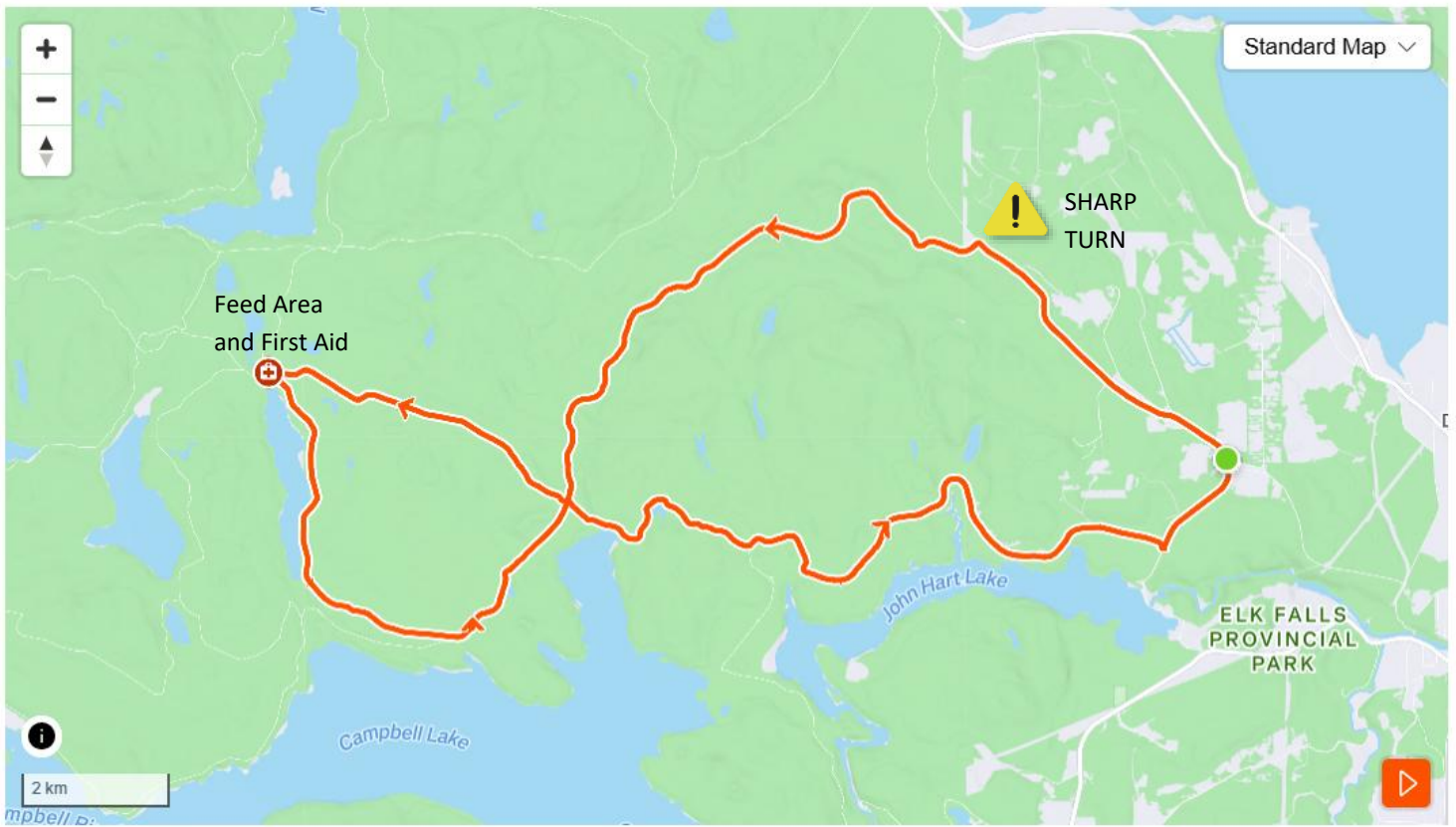
THE ROUTES

IMPULSO

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- 38.56 km distance
- 400 m total elevation gain
- 1hr 25 est. finish time



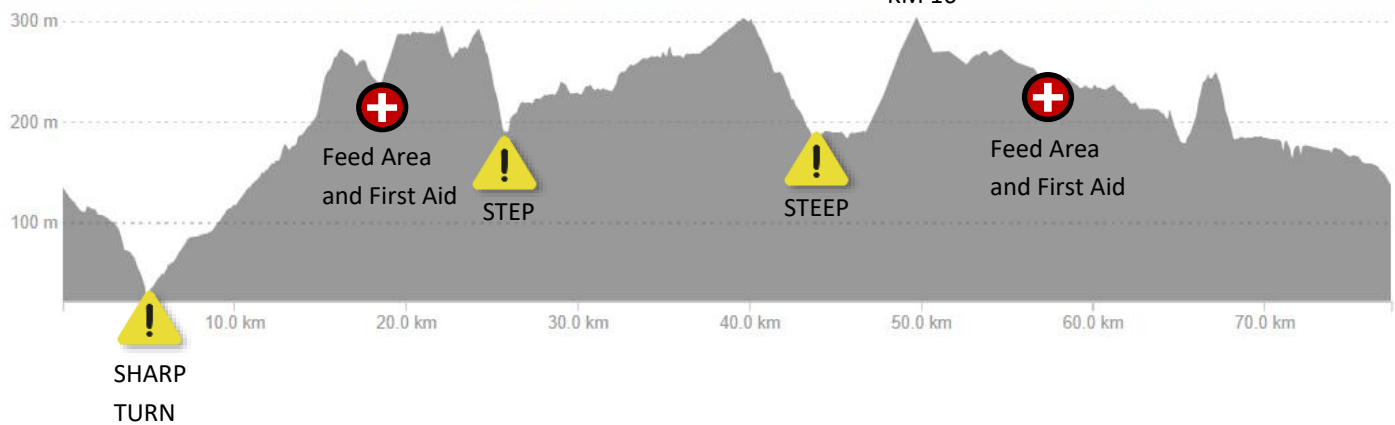
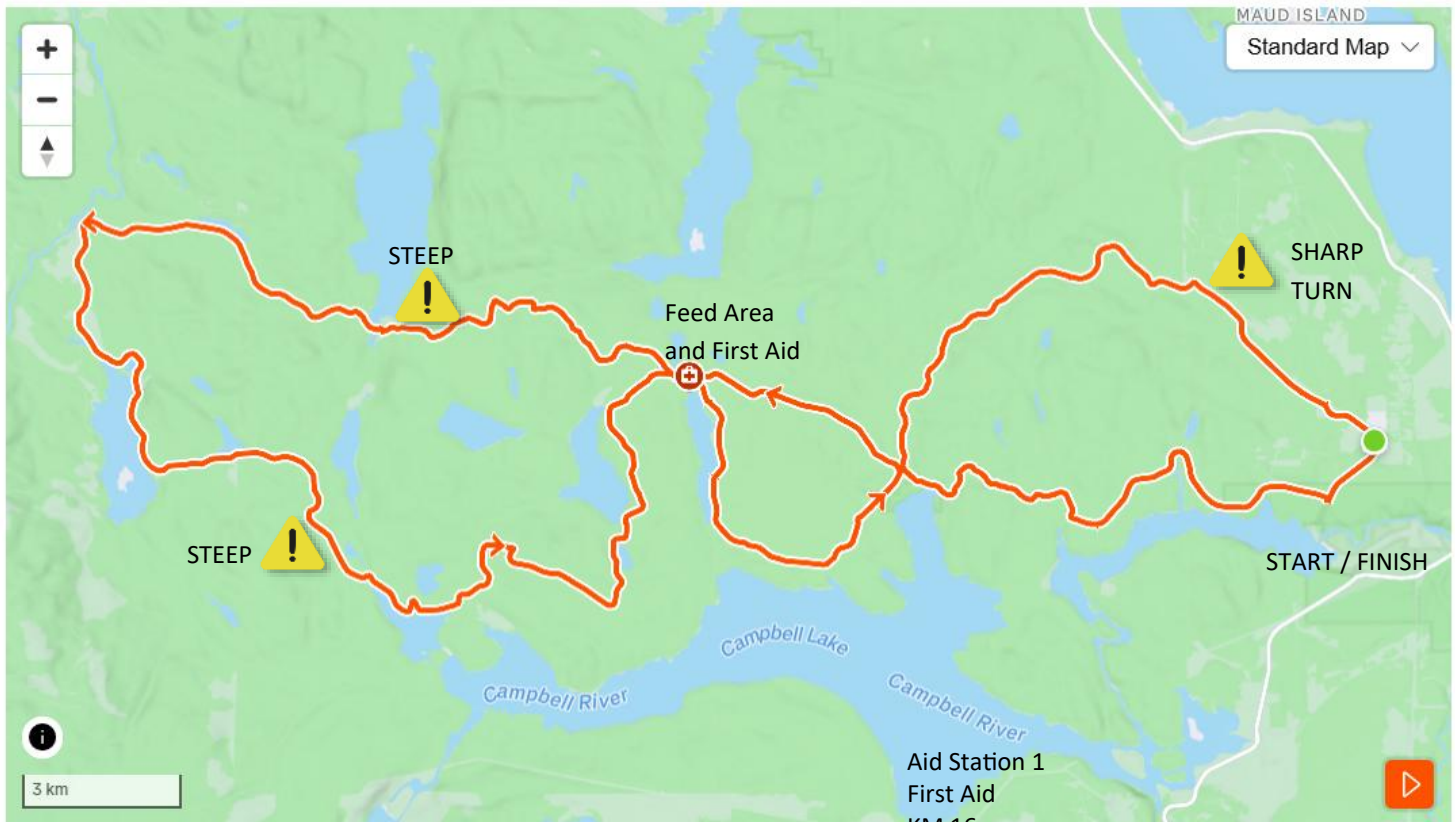
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INTERMEDIO

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- 77 km distance
- 803 m total elevation gain
- 11.3% max grade
- 2hr 45 est. finish time



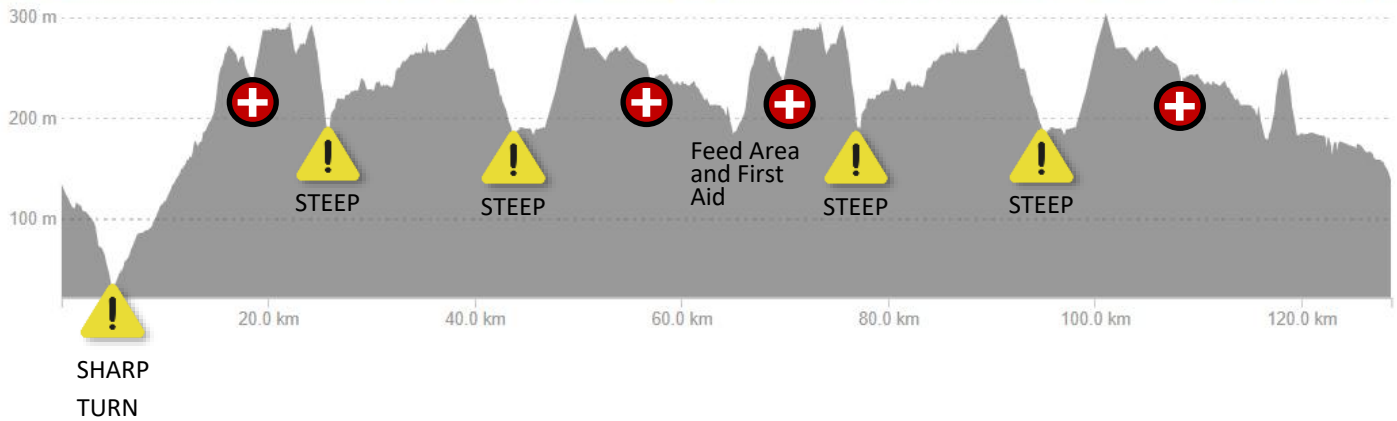
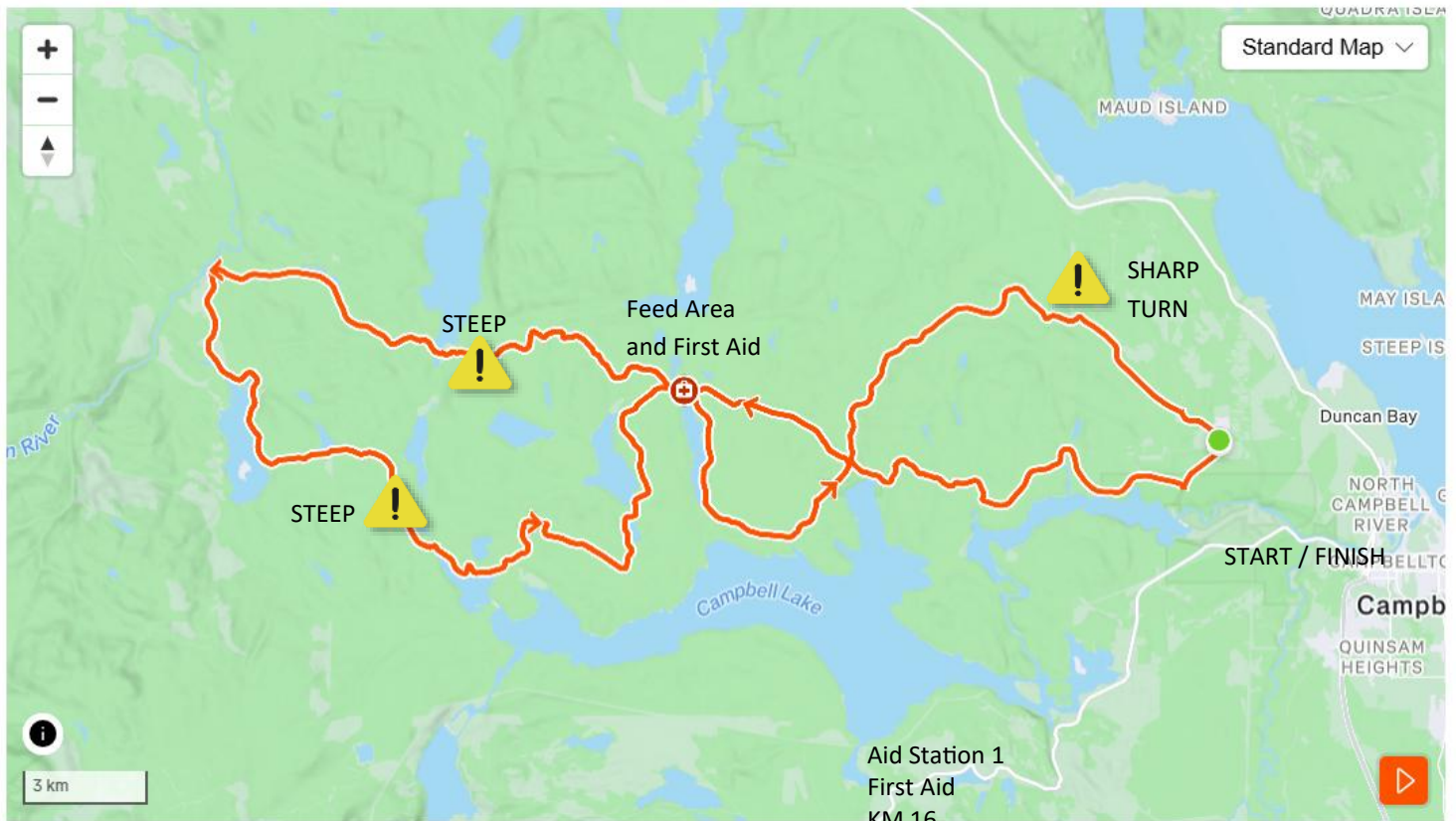
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ESPERTO

<https://www.strava.com/routes/3451107854622278660>



- 128.7km distance
- 1325m total elevation gain
- 12.6% max grade
- 4hr 30 min est. finish time



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1 The River City Gravel Fondo is a self-supported, bicycle event along the gravel and dirt roads of Campbell River. For the purpose of this event, “bicycle” is defined as “a vehicle consisting of a frame mounted on two wheels one behind the other, and having a seat, handlebars for steering, two hand-operated brakes, and propelled solely by the operator via two pedals connected to the rear wheel by a chain or belt. **“E-Bikes” will be allowed** but will not factor in the top 3 results in each category, but will factor in an exclusive e-Bike Category. Pacing and drafting behind an e-Bike is not permitted.

2 The roads are open to logging trucks and other authorized vehicles. The area is open to non-participant cyclists, pedestrians, and horseback riders. For your safety, it is imperative that you be constantly aware of your surroundings. Therefore, **headphones/earbuds are strictly forbidden**. Please show respect and courtesy to other people and give them a warning that you are approaching. Any reports of rude or inappropriate behavior will result in the disqualification of the individual participant.

3 ALL participants MUST attend Rider Package Pick Up and Sign-In on either Saturday April 20 at Pedal Your World Bike Shop or Sunday April 21 at the We Wai Kai East Parking Log. A valid photo I.D. or Cycling BC license will be required to sign in. Event packets will be given out to registered participants only. No one else can receive your pack for you. For more information on Rider Sign-In, refer to the Schedule of Events on our website at www.bcgravelseries.com

4 While limited copies of the course map may be available, participants will be responsible for printing their own course map prior to the event. This document will be the rider's primary means of navigation. In addition, the course may have a limited number of course markings to reassure participants they are on route. Participants may load the GPX route into their GPS prior to the event, to assist in navigation.

5 There will be one feedzone that will participants will be able to access on multiple times depending on the distance.

6 Participants may help other participants with mechanical support, navigational assistance, or by any other means reasonable and in the spirit of fair play. Participants using normal pedal bikes are not to be paced or drafting behind e-Bikes.

7 Participants may stock up on food, water, and other supplies at the designated checkpoints. Participants may also receive “neutral” assistance from ride ambassadors and bike Medics along the route. “Neutral” is defined as support that is freely offered equally to ALL event participants,

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- 8** Participants may not advance along the route by any means other than bicycle, or by foot. There will be no hitching rides unless you are being picked up by the Broom Wagon or require first response emergency first aid and need medical transport.
- 9** The primary route must be followed at all times. No short cuts or alternate routes are permitted. The course may be altered by the event organizer in the event of inclement weather, or other unforeseeable circumstance. Should this occur, participants will be sufficiently advised.
- 10** Riders must remain within the primary boundaries of the gravel road and trail at all times. If the roadway is bordered by fences, stay between them. If the roadway is in open range (no fences), stay out of the ditch and keep on the road. Leaving the roadway is cutting the course.
- 11** You may be required to hop over or maneuver around closed gates on the course.
- 12** If you intentionally exit the course for food, supplies, or any other reason, you must re-enter the course at the same spot at which you left. If you get lost, you shall make every reasonable attempt to backtrack to the point where you left the course; or to re-enter the course as soon as possible and without gaining an advantage.
- 13** Participants must start and complete the entire course on the same bicycle frame. All other components and equipment may be repaired or replaced during the event. Bicycles must be equipped with two (front and rear) fully-functional hand-operated brakes.
- 14** Participants must wear a properly approved helmet while operating their bicycle.
- 15** Participants must obey all local, provincial, and federal laws and rules of the road. If an emergency vehicle is approaching, move to the far right side of the road and stop until the vehicle has safely past by.
- 16** Participants are recommended to have a front headlamp and a red tail light for the duration of the event.
- 17** **You are completely on your own. Use your head. Watch for and yield to traffic. All roads are open to public vehicle and/or pedestrian or horseback traffic.**



MEDICAL EMERGENCY

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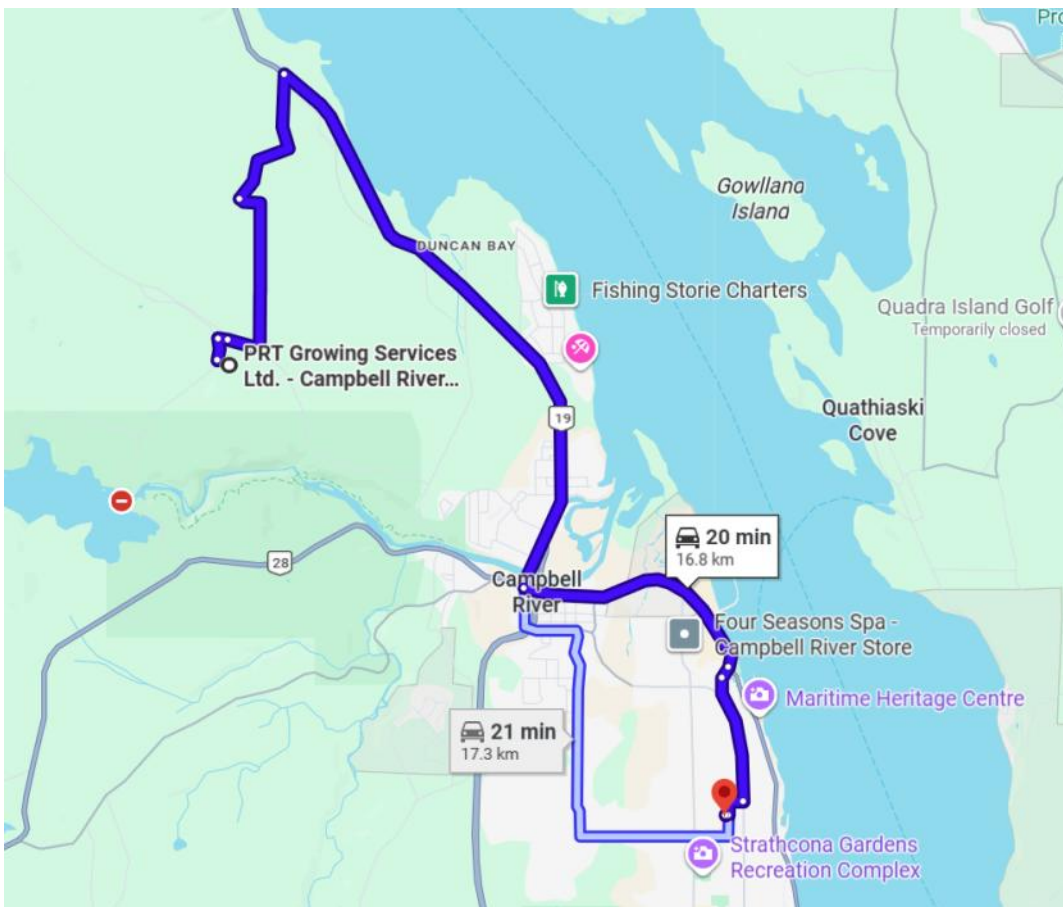
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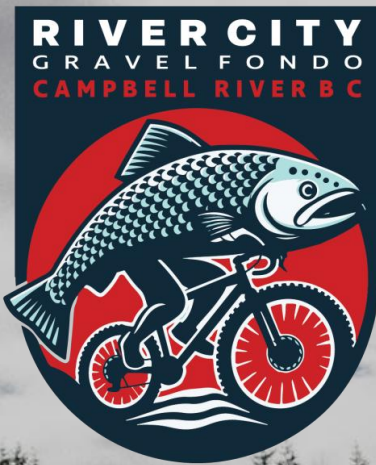
North Island Hospital, 375 2 Ave, Campbell River, BC V9W 3V1

Google Maps Directions: <https://maps.app.goo.gl/1RC6mYwix1uxr8ty8>

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