



**Amgen Tour of California**  
**Stage 5 Ontario to Mt Baldy – May 18, 2017**  
**Spectator Advisory**

Stage 5 is going to be a huge challenge for the peloton, but it is also going to be a bit of a challenge for the spectators. This advisory will detail the schedules of the road closures and where you can park and can't park. You should be able to use this information to plan your viewing options of Stage 5. With some preparation and an early start, you will be able to find several great places to watch the race!!

**Basic Information**

- Race start at the Ontario Convention Center is at 12:00pm
- Race will start climbing Mt Baldy Rd at 12:25pm at Shinn Road
- Race will start climbing Glendora Ridge Rd (GRR) from Mt Baldy Rd at 12:45pm
- Essential Services (water, food, gasoline) are basically unavailable in the mountains. There are no gas stations, there are no stores. You may find local residents selling water and some type of food, but do not rely on it. You will need to depend on your own food and water.
- You may be required to purchase a one-day Adventure Pass. Please check at the Ranger Station in the Village of Mt Baldy for additional details. If you are parking north of Mt Baldy Village, YOU WILL NEED AN ADVENTURE PASS (\$5)
- Plan on "packing out" any trash or other refuse
- There will be no shuttle program for spectators
- If you plan on walking or riding your bike to the switchbacks or the finish area, you need to be parked in the first available spot you can find on Mt Baldy Rd by 1:00pm on race day. WARNING: much of the six miles from the Mt Baldy Village to the finish line is 10-15% and the descent is just as dangerous as the ascent is hard.

**Best Places to Watch the Race**

In order to preserve the natural beauty of the area, please do not paint on the road. The CHP and Forest Service have been asked by the Tour to enforce this rule through ticketing and confiscation of paint.

- Ontario (race start). You will have opportunities to get autographs, take pictures, and talk to the riders.
- Glendora Mountain Road (GMR) GMR is a great place to watch the race. It is a very long climb (about 8 miles). It is steep. There is a ton of parking. It is easy to get to. It is easy to get back down the road. There is nothing there for food, water, or gas. We will have some Porta-Johns along the climb.

- Glendora Ridge Road (GRR). This is a 13-mile section of the course that the riders will do twice. Not as much parking as GMR, but you can see the race come by twice. The vistas from here are spectacular. Again, there is no gas, food, or water available. There will be no Porta Johns on this section of the course.
- Intersection of GMR and GRR. Just .3 miles from the 2<sup>nd</sup> KOM. You can watch the race go by and then easily walk up to the KOM and be there to watch the race come by the second time. Parking is available but will go fast. No services, except Porta-Johns
- GRR at the first KOM. No services. Some parking. Great views down the valley. Just a mile downhill to Mt Baldy Village. You can watch the race come up Mt Baldy Rd, climb up to the KOM, and then watch them return. Probably the best place to watch the race on the entire course, but parking will go quickly. It will also be VERY crowded.
- Mt Baldy Village. You will be able to watch the race come by twice: as they head towards the first KOM and then as they return and head towards the finish. There are just two places to eat, but there is the possibility that there may be some outside dining set-up by the local restaurants.
- The “Switchbacks” on Mt Baldy Rd will be the most coveted place to watch the race, but this viewing spot presents the most challenges. There is parking for just a handful of cars. If you park in a “No Parking” zone, you have a 100% certainty that you will be ticketed and towed. Tow trucks will be on the mountain. Average towing bill from Mt Baldy Road is very expensive. Parking will be gone early on race day. If you are lucky enough to find parking on Mt Baldy Rd between the switchbacks and the Mt Baldy Village, you will need to either walk or ride your bike to the switchbacks. Average walk or ride will be 3-4 miles. There are zero services here. Once the parking is gone, only residents will have access to the road to get to their homes. IDs will be checked by CHP. All four wheels must be off the pavement
- Manker Flats is just one mile from the finish and the location for the large festival that travels with the race. Awesome place to watch the race, but it is not accessible by car. At 1.5 miles from Ice House Canyon Rd, the road will be closed to all traffic. Security and CHP will be turning cars around. The best advice is that as you climb the switchbacks, grab the first spot you can. You will have the same view as the people higher up the road, be able to get the same great pictures, and best of all, once the race passes your location, you can get off the mountain much faster than the people above you! Do not attempt to come back down the mountain, until the end of the race has passed you. You will see the ambulances, Broom Wagon, and a CHP SUV with “END OF CONVOY”.
- Race finish at the Mt Baldy Ski Lifts parking lot. Great place to watch the race, but the most difficult place to get to. There is no parking available to the public. This area has such limited parking, that even the race itself does not have enough space and will need to use a shuttle service from several miles away. Realistically, the closest parking is going to be more than five miles away. To get to the finish area, you will need to walk. WARNING: much of the five miles from the Mt Baldy Village to the finish line is 10-15% and the descent is just as dangerous as the ascent is hard.

## Road Closures

**Mt Baldy Road** – This is the main road up to Mt Baldy Village from Ontario. There are three parts that will have different closures. This road will be monitored by CHP and race security.

- From the intersection of Ice House Canyon – will be closed early Saturday morning (6:00am) to allow for oversized trucks to make it to the finish area. It will be reopened after the trucks make the top and then closed again when all parking is gone or the race is approaching to reach the finish.
- From Ice House Canyon to Glendora Ridge Road – will be closed at 1:45pm on race day, unless all parking has already been taken.
- From Shin Rd to Glendora Ridge Road – CHP will temporarily close Mt Baldy Rd at Shin Rd at 11:30am. Once the race is on Mt Baldy Rd, traffic will be allowed to continue up Mt Baldy Road to find parking

**Glendora Ridge Rd** – This is a 13-mile road that runs between Mt Baldy Rd and Glendora Mountain Rd

- This road will be closed at Noon, from the Mt Baldy Side and 11:30am from the GMR side.
- The SB direction of the route may re-open as the race heads south on Glendora Ridge, but it will depend on the amount of available parking.
- The NB direction of the road will reopen after the race clears the intersection heading back to Mt Baldy Rd

### **Hwy 39**

- SB Hwy 39 at East Fork Rd, will close at 1:15pm and reopen as the race clears the intersection
- NB Hwy 39 at Sierra Hwy will close at Sierra 12<sup>th</sup> St (except for local traffic) at 12:00pm and reopen as the race passes the intersection

**Glendora Mountain Rd** - From Sierra Madre Ave to Glendora Ridge Rd

- Northbound no later than 1:15pm
- Southbound from Glendora Ridge Rd at 12:45pm

### **Available Parking**

- All four tires must be off the pavement
- There will be no parking at the finish area or in Manker Flats. You will be immediately towed from these areas.
- Parking on the switchbacks is limited.
- Parking north of the Mt Baldy Village will also be limited. The entire Trout Pond parking area will be taken for Team Parking.
- There will be plenty of parking on Glendora Ridge Rd, Glendora Mountain Rd, and Mt Baldy Rd (south of the Village). The earlier you arrive, the shorter your walk will be to get to the finish area or switchbacks.