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City and Event Organizer Combine Efforts for Cycling Win

Organizers of the Lost & Found Gravel Grinder mountain bike event reached out to the community and city of Portola for support of their ever growing race. The event, June 3, 2017 will give riders three distance options: 30, 60, and 100 mile of an epically beautiful bike ride.

Now internationally known, this distinguished race attracts racers and riders from around the world who challenge themselves with the obstacles of high elevation and terrain that varies from pavement, dirt and gravel road to historic railroad grade.

“The Lost & Found Gravel Grinder puts Portola and the surrounding area on the map,” said Portola City Manager Robert Meacher. He believes this event appeals to a different group of adventurers who otherwise would not Discover Portola without it.

Securing a golden five-year permit from the Plumas National Forest, the Lost & Found Gravel Grinder event now has the ability to multiply its attendance and enhance local amenities for the riders and racers through-out the community.

Aside from the required lodging and dining components needed to accommodate the race, the city has opened additional camping sites with one and two day passes for attendees to pitch a tent or park an RV. The City of Portola also plans to allow access to its amenities that include the pool, basketball court, skateboard park, pump track, volleyball, and horseshoe pit.

As for additional dining and entertainment that weekend, community service organizations will provide a pancake breakfast Saturday and Sunday morning, starting at 6 am, and a BBQ Saturday night – along with a beer & liquor booth Saturday night with free live music anticipated that evening.

For those who want to climb aboard, the Western Pacific Railroad Museum will offer free admission to the museum both Saturday and Sunday, June 2 & 3. It’s a chance to ride a train, shop the museum store and get a hands-on experience of the rolling stock and locomotives.

Truly a community event, the Lost & Found Gravel Grinder brings together the best of best – the love of mountain bike sports combined with the genuine charm of the Lost Sierra.

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For more information about the City of Portola, visit www.discoverportola.com for information about the Lost & Found Gravel Grinder, Downieville Classic, or Grinduro race visit <http://www.lostandfoundbikeride.com>. And for the Western Pacific Railroad Museum visit www.wplives.org.