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The Iditarod to run the Southern Route for the 53rd Running of the Race

Wasilla, Alaska – The Iditarod Trail Committee is pleased to announce that after extensive trail flyovers, on-the-ground reports from snow machiners and information from Checkpoint communities, the current weather conditions will allow for the race to run the Southern Route, as originally planned for the 2025 Iditarod.

However, there may be some course modifications necessary, including the Official Restart of the race depending on snow coverage at the traditional Willow Lake start, though if any changes are made, it would not impact the rest of the Southern Route. The Ceremonial Start is still scheduled to take place on Saturday, March 1, in Downtown Anchorage on 4th and D.

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About the Iditarod

The Iditarod Trail Committee is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve the rich tradition of the Alaska sled dog and the Iditarod Trail. The organization is charged with coordinating the Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race, an annual long-distance sled dog race stretching from Anchorage to Nome for an approximate 1,000-mile journey through Alaska over the roughest, most breathtaking terrain in the world. For more information, visit www.iditarod.com.

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