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Rookie musher Jodie Potts-Joseph scratches from Iditarod 54

Nome, Alaska – Rookie Iditarod musher Jodie Potts-Joseph (bib #32) of Eagle Village, Alaska, scratched from the 2026 Iditarod at 11:19 a.m. today at the Tripod Flats Cabin, located between Kaltag and Unalakleet, in the best interest of her team.

Potts-Joseph communicated her decision to ITC Race Officials via two-way communication, and ITC personnel are assisting her with the safe transport of her 10-dog team to Unalakleet via snow machine.

The Iditarod Trail Committee recognizes Potts-Joseph's determination, dedication, and sportsmanship throughout this year's race and looks forward to seeing her back on the Trail in the future.

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