

May 23, 2008 @ 1:00P

Dear MWTR Participant:

After much assessment and forethought, the Mt. Wilson Trail Race Committee has decided to postpone the race to a TBD date, hopefully in the next three to four weeks.

While we are confident we could restore the trail after yesterday's rainstorms, the rain that hit us last night and this morning make more work for us and compromise the safety of all participants. The ground above and below the trail is very saturated right now and with more impending

rain in the forecast, there is a chance of a slide either before or during the race. While those on the committee are competitors at heart, we know that your safety comes first.

The thunderstorms that are predicted will also affect the pasta dinner tonight and the race-related activities tomorrow. We would rather until the weather improves and we have had a chance to get the trail more race-ready. I have a meeting early next week with the City Manager and Director of Community Services to make sure the trail will be OK on which to race and set our new race date. After that meeting, I will email and/or contact all of you with that date.

I apologize if this decision inconveniences you, particularly those who are coming in from out of town. We hope you can make it on the date we set, but would rather not refund entry fees and direct them to the additional costs we will have of setting things up again, and the expenses we will incur to restore the trail to race conditions.

So, everything will be the same, just a few weeks later. I knew you would appreciate more time to train!

Call me or email me if you have any comments or questions.

Thanks again for your support. As much as we are ready to go with the race, we think we are doing the right thing.

I will be in touch soon. Good luck with your continued training.

Pete Siberell Chairman, Mt. Wilson Trail Race Committee