## Last Call Course Update

The DOT announced last week that the Westside Waukesha project would not be completed this year. The original completion date was the middle of October. That was changed to the end of November and, finally, last week to "Spring 2020".

The Last Call course uses the new tunnel on the Glacial Drumlin Trail, which is part of that construction project. The tunnel is in place, but the trail remains closed at MacArthur Ave. Over the past few weeks, we have worked with the Waukesha Police Department, City of Waukesha, Waukesha County, and the Department of Natural Resources to allow us to open the Glacial Drumlin Trail past MacArthur, but stopping short of the construction on the tunnel.

Instead of cancelling the event and disappointing runners who have trained for the race, we are modifying the half marathon course for a double out and back. If you ran the race in 2014, when we had an ice storm the week of the race, you will recognize the modified course.

The 5K will be an out and back on the Fox River Trail. The Fox River Trail runs from the start line to Sunset Drive (all paved trail). The 10K will also use this trail for a double out and back. Both the 5K & 10K are being run on the Fox River Trail to avoid congestion for all three races.

The start times will also be modified with the 5K & 10K starting at 9:00 and the half starting at 9:10. Again, we are modifying the start times to avoid congestion on the trails for all divisions. The cutoff time for the half will be modified to accommodate any time changes with the start time.

The upside is, you will be able to see family, friends, and spectators every few miles!

We are still working with all involved parties on the final details, but I wanted to let runners know as soon as possible about the course change. Course maps will be posted on the <u>race website</u> in the coming days.

If you are a series runner or signed up for the First Call, this will also affect that course. We have already started to work on alternative locations for First Call and should have a course in place soon.

I'm disappointed we are not able to provide the Last Call course as originally planned, due to circumstances beyond our control: weather and construction.

I have extended the cutoff for deferrals, bib transfers, and event transfers through Sunday, November 24<sup>a</sup>. If you would like to do any of those, you can do so by following the instructions <u>here</u>.

Thank you for running with Silver Circle Sports Events and I look forward to seeing you at the Last Call finish line.

Sincerely,

Sean K. Osborne Race Director