

STAGE 1

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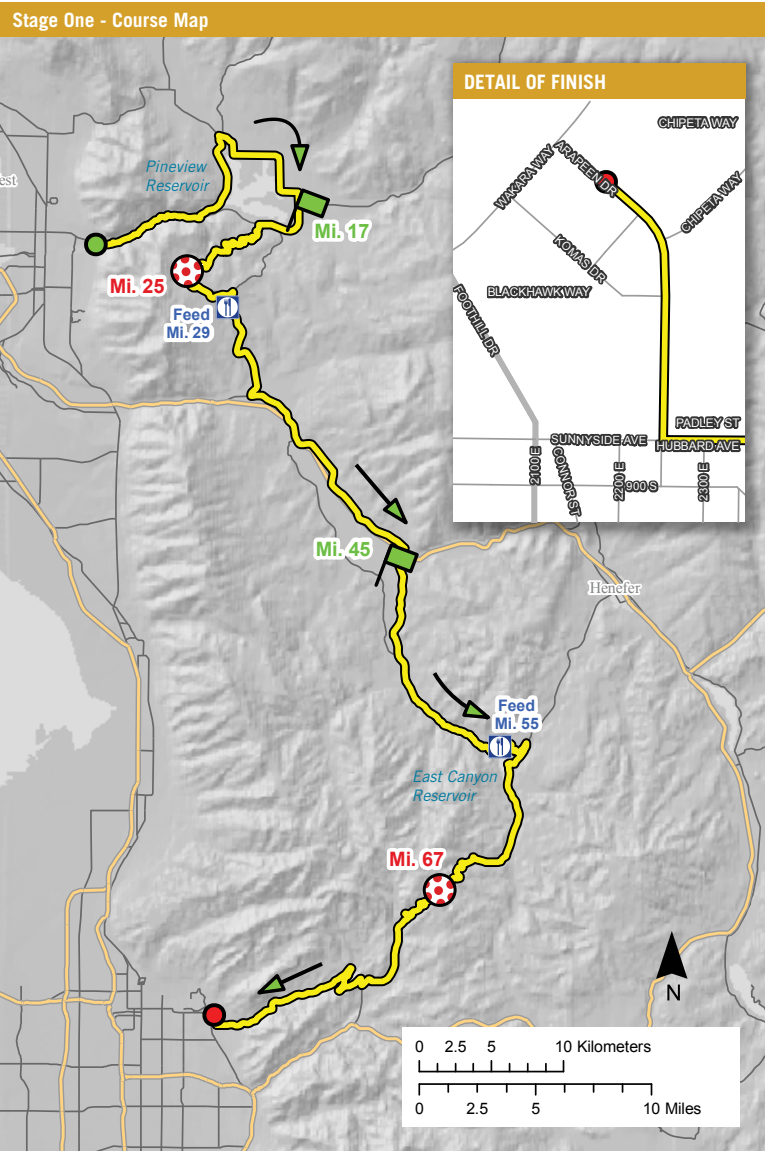
Road Race

Length: 137 km (85 mi)

Start time: 11:00 am

Finish time: 2:30 pm

The real racing starts today near the mouth of Ogden Canyon, with this deceptively difficult mountain route. Facing two steep climbs, riders will find keeping their attention on the race will be especially challenging given the stunning canyon scenery. Looping through the high mountain valley that surrounds Pineview reservoir, the route ascends a steep, winding two-lane road to Snowbasin Ski Resort, site of the 2002 Olympic downhill ski events. The course then rolls along through the emerald ranches and farms of Morgan Valley, climbing to East Canyon Dam and reservoir. At this point, slightly more than halfway through the stage, riders now face the toughest climb of the day and one of the most difficult of the entire race, Big Mountain. Rising almost 2,000 feet in just over six miles, this climb is guaranteed to separate the climbers from the pack, breaking the peloton apart in time for a final fifteen-mile downhill dash to the line in Research Park.



Stage One - Elevation Profile

