



-SPECTATOR GUIDE-

Welcome to the Iron Mule Rally 2023 presented by the organizers of the Central UP Rallies and NASA Rally Sport. This stage rally is headquartered in Felch, MI and includes 110 competitive stage miles in a single day. This event will be a formidable challenge for man and machine. On behalf of everyone who helped put on this event, thank you for coming out. We hope you enjoy the spectacle.

Entry List (as of August 17)

Number	Driver	Codriver	Make	Model	ARC	NRS
10	Adam VanDamme	Morgan Engle	Audi	TT	2WD	O2H
11	Dexter Clark	Bryce Proseus	Nissan	Sentra RS	2WD	O2L
15	Michael Ryan	Daniel Ryan	Subaru	Impreza RS	AWD	OAL
16	Derek Denti	Josh Remmetter	Acura	RSX	2WD	O2L
17	Mike Purzycki	Matthew Wernette	AMC	Jeep CJ8 Scrambler	AWD	OAH
18	Srikanth Nayini	Stephen "Otis Lee" Miller	Ford	Focus SVT	2WD	O2L
23	Barry Pilcher	Joshua Pilcher	BMW	325is	2WD	O2H
35	Chase Blakely	Michael Callaway	Volkswagen	Golf GTI	2WD	O2L
37	Andrew Bockheim	Salvatore LoPresti	Mitsubishi	Lancer	2WD	O2L
40	Eric Anderson	Taylor Haelterman	Toyota	Celica GTS	2WD	O2H
46	Nicholas Lyle	Kevin Dobrowolski	Honda	Civic Si	2WD	O2L
58	Jacob Kennedy	James Smith	Ford	Escort	2WD	O2L
59	John Gusmano	Blake Richards	Volkswagen	GTI	2WD	O2H
69	Colin Schulz	Ian Nelson	Subaru	WRX STI	AWD	OAH
71	Ian McCarty	Hailey McCarty	Subaru	Impreza 2.5rs	AWD	O2L
73	Kevin Schmidt	Kyle Roberts	Mazda	RX7	2WD	O2H
907	Eli Goethel	Max Sutton	Mitsubishi	Eclipse	AWD	OAL
909	Kristopher Pfothenauer	Lynn Hartman	Porsche	944	2WD	
914	Camden Sheridan		Subaru	Impreza	AWD	
	James Walker		Chevrolet	Aveo	2WD	
911	Jonathon Nagel	Chris Woodry	Subaru	Impreza	AWD	
912	Noah Jacobson	Nathan Vance	Subaru	WRX	AWD	OAH
81	Shanti Witt	Elena Huizar	BMW	325i	2WD	O2L
913	Silas Himes				AWD	
51	C. Sebastian Gomez Abero	Lawrence Davis	Smart Rage	Comet R200T		SxS

NRS is NASA Rally Sport Event classes:

O2H - Open 2WD Heavy - 2WD vehicles with big displacement or forced induction

O2L - Open 2WD Light - 2WD vehicles with low displacement and normally aspirated

O4H - Open 4WD Heavy - AWD/4WD vehicles with big displacement or forced induction

O4L - Open 4WD Light - AWD/4WD vehicles with low displacement and normally aspirated

SxS - Side by Side - Side by side ATV's and buggies

ARC is the Atlantic Rally Cup Regional Championship and only has two classes: **2WD** and **AWD**



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Event Schedule

Friday August 25			
06:00PM	09:00PM	Competitor Registration	Felch Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Tech Inspection	Felch Community Center
06:00PM	09:00PM	Volunteer Registration	Felch Community Center
Saturday August 26			
08:00AM	09:00AM	Competitor Registration	Felch Community Center
08:00AM	09:00AM	Tech Inspection	Felch Community Center
08:00AM	09:30AM	Volunteer Registration	Felch Community Center
09:00AM	11:00AM	Service Area Opens	Felch Community Center
11:01AM	11:02AM	1st Car Start CUP Iron Mule	Felch Community Center
11:15AM	11:40AM	Stage 1 Spectator 1	Finn Town Rd
11:15AM	11:40AM	Stage 1 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
01:10PM	01:40PM	Stage 4 Spectator 1	Finn Town Rd
01:10PM	01:40PM	Stage 4 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
01:40PM	02:20PM	Service 1 (40 minutes)	Felch Community Center
02:40PM	03:10PM	Stage 5 Spectator 1	Finn Town Rd
02:40PM	03:10PM	Stage 5 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
04:40PM	05:10PM	Stage 8 Spectator 1	Finn Town Rd
04:40PM	05:10PM	Stage 8 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
05:10PM	05:50PM	Service 2 (30 minutes)	Felch Community Center
06:00PM	06:30PM	Stage 9 Spectator 1	Finn Town Rd
06:00PM	06:30PM	Stage 9 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
07:35PM	08:10PM	Stage 11 Spectator	Spectator Location C
07:35PM	08:10PM	Stage 11 Spectator 2	Merriman East Rd
07:35PM	08:10PM	Stage 11 Spectator 3	Brown Lake Rd
08:20PM	08:40PM	1st Car Finishes CUP Iron Mule	Felch Community Center
10:30PM	11:30PM	Cup Iron Mule Awards	Felch Community Center



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In order to keep the event running smoothly; to ensure the safety of our volunteers, racers, and crew; and to maintain our road use for future events, we ask that you please observe the following information.

All of the officials, course workers, and marshals are volunteers. Please be kind and courteous. Most of them are here because they love rally and want to help the event run smoothly and safely. Don't make their job difficult and while you're there, let them know you appreciate their support.

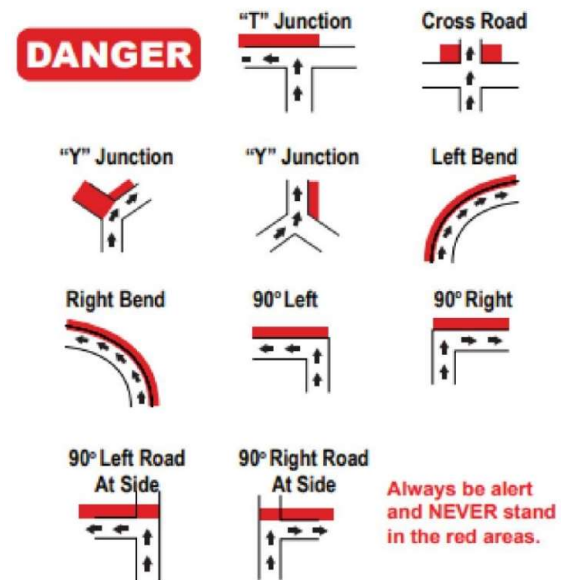
Keep yourself and others safe. This is the most important thing you can do as a spectator. Unsafe behavior puts the rally in jeopardy of being delayed or canceled and could lead to serious injury or even death. There are not many motorsports that allow you to get this close to the action. Take that responsibility seriously not just for your own sake, but for the volunteers and competitors as well. Follow the directions of event officials.

Stage roads are closed and controlled. There is a large group of volunteers along the stage routes ensuring the roads remain safe for competition. Do not enter the stage for any reason while it is "HOT". There are course opening cars checking the route ahead of the competition vehicles making sure the course is clear and that it is safe to begin. Competitors begin racing and leave the start in one minute intervals. After the last car starts, a medical or safety sweep follows close behind the competitors. Then there are heavy sweep vehicles that recover crashed or broken cars to make sure the course remains clear. Lastly, a "green light" or course closing car will indicate that the road is once again open to the public.

Turn around and park in a single file line on the right side of the road at all spectator areas. There will not be a parking lot in the woods, so you'll have to park on the side of the road. It is important that everyone parks on the same side to ensure that the road remains open to emergency personnel, rally officials, competitor crews, and fellow spectators. Be courteous and don't block the road.

Plan your day carefully and remember you're in the Central Time Zone. There is very limited access to the stages for spectating. It will take you 15 to 35 minutes to drive to the spectating areas. Consider the time for parking and walking to your spot. Make sure you have food and beverages. Take bug spray, sunscreen, and maybe have an umbrella in your car.

Leave no trace. Please do your best to leave things better than you found them. Not only are we asking you to not litter, but we're asking you to pick up some extra trash and dispose of it properly. Clean up after yourself and take good care of the forest.



Directions from Felch Community Center to Spectator Area 1

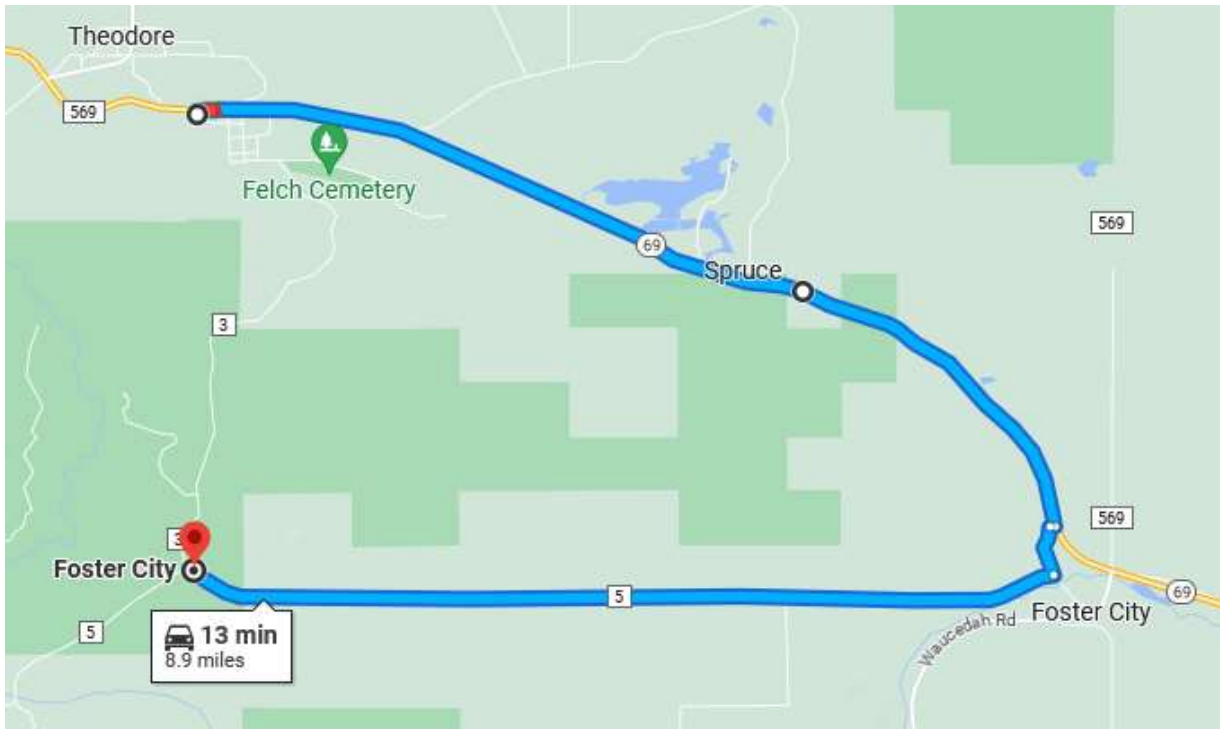
Head east on M-69 E and drive 4.6 mi

Turn right onto Nurse Carlson Rd and drive 138 ft






Turn left onto Finn Town Rd and drive 0.2 mi

Turn right to stay on Finn Town Rd and drive 4.0 mi

Arrive at Spectator Area 1



Tulip directions, just like what the competitors use on transit.

Overall	Delta	Tulip	Info	Decline
0.00			on to M 69	8.94
4.64	4.64		Nurse Carlson Rd.	4.30
4.66	0.02		Finn Town Rd	4.28
4.89	0.23		Finn Town Rd CR 5	4.05
8.94	4.05		spectator area parking	0.00



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Directions from Felch Community Center to Spectator Area 2

Head west on M-69 W and drive 11.5 mi

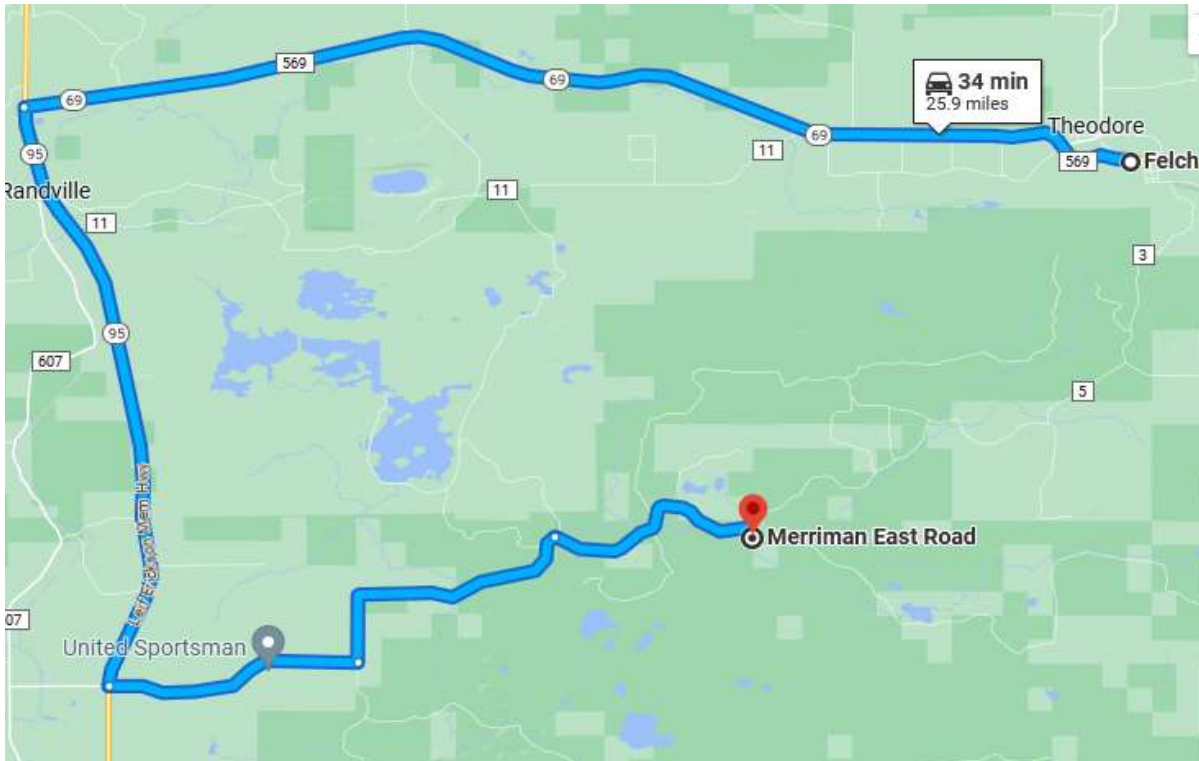
Turn left onto M-95 S and drive 6.4 mi

Turn left onto Sportsmens Club Rd and drive 2.6 mi

Turn left to stay on Sportsmens Club Rd and drive 3.0 mi

Sportsmens Club Rd turns slightly right and becomes Calumet Mine Rd/Merriman East Rd then drive 2.4 mi

Arrive at Spectator Area 2



Tulip directions, just like what the competitors use on transit.

Overall	Delta	Tulip	Info	Notes	Decline
0.00		← 290	on to M 69		26.00
11.50	11.50	← 291	M 95 South		14.50
17.90	6.40	← 292	Sportsman Club Rd		8.10
20.50	2.60	← 293	Sportsman Club Rd		5.50
21.20	0.70	↪ 294	Merriman Truck Trail		4.80
26.00	4.80	↻ 295	spectator parking		0.00



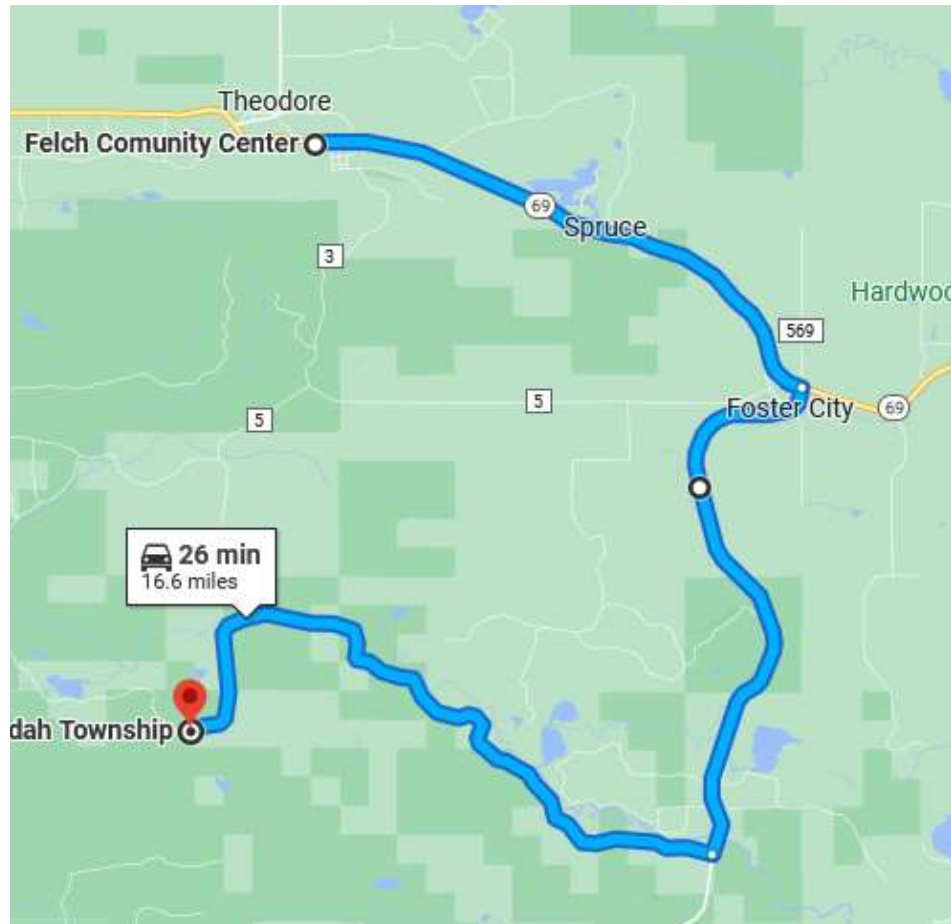
Directions From Felch Community Center To Spectator Area 3

Head east on M-69 E and drive 5.0 mi






Turn right onto Waucedah Rd and drive 5.1 mi

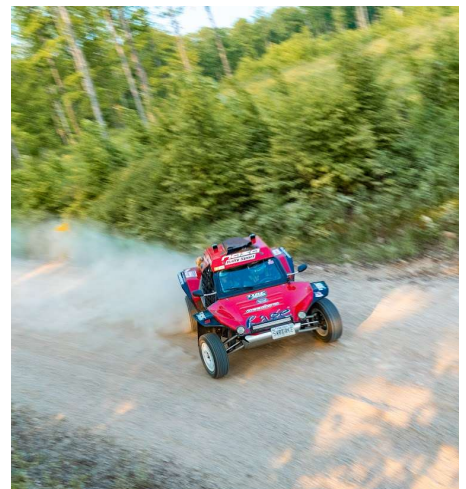
Turn right onto Browns Lake Rd and drive 6.5 mi

Arrive at Spectator Area 3



Tulip directions, just like what the competitors use on transit.

Overall	Delta	Tulip	Info	Decline
0.00			on to M69	16.60
4.99	4.99		Waucedah rd - CR569	11.61
10.00	5.01		Browns Lake Rd	6.60
12.05	2.05		onto gravel	4.55
16.60	4.55		spectator parking	0.00



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