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**DATE: 09/10/2013**  
**NATURE OF INCIDENT: Traffic Advisory**  
**CASE NO.:**  
**INCIDENT DATE :09/14/2013**  
**INCIDENT TIME: 6:45 AM Start**  
**INCIDENT LOCATION: Scenic Highway, East Duluth, DECC Area**  
**SUBJECT: North Shore Inline Marathon**  
**BY: DPD Public Information Officer Jim Hansen (218) 390-2232**

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### **Traffic Advisory –North Shore Inline Marathon**

The North Shore Inline Marathon will be held on Saturday September 14, 2013. Several area roads will be closed for this event.

This year's race includes inline skaters, roller skiers, and runners. The Skate/Ski course travels down Scenic Drive, then down London Road to 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue East where participants take I-35 South bound, exiting onto the 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West Ramp, turning left on 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, down to Harbor Drive behind the DECC to the finish line on Harbor Drive near the William Irvin tour ship. Runners will travel up I-35 from 5<sup>th</sup> Ave West, through the tunnels, and turn around near London Road, and then proceed back the same route. The entire route will be closed to traffic, and parking on the route will be prohibited. Downtown Duluth and Canal Park will be completely open to traffic during this event.

Canal Park, Park Point, the Great Lakes Aquarium, and the DECC will be accessible using Lake Avenue to Railroad Street, and also down 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West to Railroad Street.

#### **Road Closures**

**(Friday September 13, starting at 4 pm)**

- Harbor Drive will be closed from Railroad Street, down behind the DECC to below the Aquarium for Kid's Inline Sprint Races. That portion of roadway stays closed until about 8:30 p.m.

**(Saturday September 14 starting at 05:30 am)**

-The Scenic Highway will be closed from the Highway 61 Expressway to Two Harbors for Race Setup. Local traffic will be guided off the Scenic Highway toward the Expressway.

**At 06:30 am;**

-All Southbound traffic on the Hwy 61 Expressway will be diverted onto Superior Street.

-London Road will be closed from 60<sup>th</sup> Avenue East to 26<sup>th</sup> Avenue East.

- I-35 will be closed from 26<sup>th</sup> Ave East to 5<sup>th</sup> Ave West. South bound entrance ramps

onto I-35 will be closed at 26<sup>th</sup> Ave E and 21<sup>st</sup> Ave E. North bound entrance ramps onto I-35 will be closed at Mesaba Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Ave West Viaduct, Lake Avenue, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East.

-I-35 south bound WILL BE ACCESSIBLE at Lake Avenue, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West, and Mesaba Avenue

### Ramps

-The DECC Lot will remain open with access and exit from Railroad Street only.

-The Aquarium will be accessible from Railroad Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West.

-Canal Park will be accessible down Lake Avenue.

-The 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue West overpass will be limited to one lane down bound. to the Aquarium.

Exit is down the Connector to Railroad Street.

-East Superior Street will remain open all the way to the Hwy 61 Expressway, but traffic may be heavy and motorists should expect delays.

-Motorists should also expect delays in the areas of Lake Avenue, Railroad Street, and 5<sup>th</sup> Ave West

People driving in the area of the event should use caution and watch for heavy pedestrian traffic, closed roads, and Police Officers directing traffic.

If you have any questions contact Duluth Police Officer Bill Stovern at (218) 730-5678).

