

## OM DIE DAM ULTRA 50Km



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To Whom It May Concern

### **50KM ULTRA ROUTE CHANGE -15<sup>TH</sup> OF MARCH 2025**

**ATTENTION all Om Die Dam Ultra Marathon participants.**

#### **!!!IMPORTANT INFORMATION!!!**

We unfortunately have sad news to share.

The Provincial Road Traffic Management, alongside SANRAL has rejected our application to use the R512 road between Pecanwood Golf estate and Broederstroom.

This only came to our attention last week and although we tried to convince them otherwise, they don't want to change their minds.

We have suggested increased race officials and marshals as well as possible 'Stop and Go's' but none was accepted.

The main reason is the road works currently underway on those sections, with limited space for vehicles, let alone runners in between. This will be extremely dangerous for the runners.

Therefore, we had no choice but to propose an alternative route for the 50km.

At this point in time, we are still waiting for approval from Traffic on the proposed route, but we will communicate the alternative route once approval has been given.

This will be the first time in the 34 years of running the Om Die Dam Ultra that runners won't go around the dam.

**PLEASE NOTE that the start and the finish venue will remain the same at the Hartbeespoort Highschool. The starting time will also remain at 06:00**

However, we will do everything in our power to make it a memorable race.

Rest assured the Om Die Dam Ultra will once again go around the Dam for the 2026 edition of the race.

I hope each runner understands and accepts the situation. This was not an easy decision for the ODD committee.

Run safe and see you on 15th of March



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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Bennie Badenhorst', enclosed in a light grey rectangular box.

Bennie Badenhorst on behalf of RACE Committee

