



## **PRESS RELEASE FOR IMMEDIATE DISTRIBUTION**

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### **Remy Coste wins Stage One – Teton County, Wyoming.**

Stage One of the 2024 Pedigree Stage Stop Sled Dog Race is now in the books. Remy Coste of France, a rookie to the event, recorded the fastest time of Stage One in Teton County, Wyoming by completing the 29 mile out-and-back course with a record time of 1:42:34. Coste bested defending five-time champion Anny Malo of Quebec, Canada by 6 minutes and 16 seconds or just over 1 mile per hour. Third place finisher Michael Tetzner finished 13 minutes 58 seconds behind Coste.

Coste ran an 8-dog team, Malo a 10-dog team, and Tetzner ran 12 dogs in his team. Mushers enter 16 dogs in their pool and can run a maximum of 12 dogs on any given day. Laura Bontrager and Cathy Rivest finished 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> respectively. Fifteen teams are entered in the 2024 Stage Stop Race, including teams from the U.S., Canada, Germany, and France.

The mushers now travel to Lander and will run a 27.5 mile out-and-back course from the South Pass trail head at the eastern end of the Wind River Mountains of Wyoming.

The Pedigree Stage Stop Race is the premier stage format sled dog race in North America. Mushers compete for a cash purse of \$165,000 and the illusive title of Stage Stop Champion.

The Pedigree Stage Stop Race consists of seven individual stages on National Forest land trails which wind through the seven mountain ranges of western Wyoming and Idaho. Teams cover 30 to 35 miles per day on out-and-back courses. Extraordinary daily coverage can be found on Facebook, Instagram, You Tube, and all the other usual social media places.

**Video highlights from day one:** <https://www.wyomingstagestop.org/video-of-the-day-gallery/>

### **For additional commentary:**

<https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=10168583891870531&set=a.10152708373440531>

The daily race schedule is as follows:

- January 29 – Stage Two – Lander, Wyoming
- January 30 – Stage Three – Pinedale, Wyoming
- January 31 – Stage Four – Big Piney / Marbleton, Wyoming
- February 1 – Stage Five – Kemmerer, Wyoming
- February 2 – Travel Day

- February 3 – Stage Six – Alpine, Wyoming
- February 4 – Stage Seven & Final Banquet – Driggs, Idaho

Extensive race coverage, video, commentary, and interviews is available on race media platforms including:

**Website:** [www.wyomingstagestop.org](http://www.wyomingstagestop.org) **Facebook:** [facebook.com/PedigreeStageStopRace](https://www.facebook.com/PedigreeStageStopRace)

**Instagram:** <https://www.instagram.com/pedigreestagestoprace>

**YouTube:** <https://www.youtube.com/@pedigreestagestoprace9249>

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