



## CYCLE EVENT INFORMATION AND SAFETY RULES OF THE ROAD

Welcome! We thank you for your participation in Temecula Sunrise Rotary Foundation's inaugural **"Cycle Through the Vineyards"** 18-mile scenic ride through our beautiful Temecula Valley Wine Country! To help ensure a fun, memorable day, your safety is our highest priority. You have chosen to participate in a **"guided"** ride. Our leaders and volunteers in each group are all seasoned frequent group riders in our wine country. The following rules are the same ones we observe on our own rides! We ask you to listen to your leaders and observe a few important rules:

- **At no time will any participant overtake and pass a group leader! We have set a targeted average speed for this event of 12 - 14 mph. Speeds can exceed this pace on downhills of course but the group leaders will set the pace.**
- **There will be three groups (green, red and purple). All participants will receive a wristband with the appropriate color identifying their assigned group at registration.**
- **Each group will have at least 3 volunteers riding with them. A leader, a roving volunteer and a trailing volunteer. Each of those volunteers will be wearing identifying vests and be in communication with each other using walkie talkies with earpieces.**
- **When crossing street intersections, the rover will go ahead to give the all clear to safely cross. In addition to our volunteer "rover", riders should also call out "all clear" or "stop" as you approach the crossing of the intersection to let riders behind you know an intersection is safe to cross or to stop. *However, it is always the responsibility of individual riders to ensure their own safety by looking both ways for oncoming vehicle traffic before making the decision to cross.***
- **Volunteers will call out and sound bike horns when cars are approaching, especially from behind – Upon hearing the warning "Car Back!" Riders will immediately move to the right and ride in single file on the far-right side of the road. Riders should also call out "Car Back!" to pass on the warning.**
- **The leaders will advise you when you are approaching a road that may be subject to heavier vehicle use. In these instances, you will be asked to ride in a single file on the right side of these roads. Generally, this will only be for short distances as the routes are planned using lightly traveled paved roads.**
- ***If at any time a rider has an issue during the ride, please call out for assistance and the leader will halt the ride to determine further action.***