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PINEDALE, WYOMING — February 2, 2020

Stage Stop defending champion Anny Malo of Quebec, Canada posted the fastest time in Stage 2 of the 25th annual Pedigree Stage Stop Race in Pinedale, Wyoming today.

Malo's winning time of 2:22:46 on the 34.5-mile out-and-back course gained her another minute and thirty-seven seconds over current second place competitor Lina Streeper of British Columbia, Canada. Malo's narrow lead now sits at just under 4 minutes after a cumulative 63 miles of racing with another 160 miles in 5 stages of racing ahead.

Jeff Conn of Alaska, Rachel Courtney of Manitoba, and Alix Crittenden of Wyoming fill out the top 5 positions with Bruce Magnusson of Michigan knocking at the door just 1 second behind Crittenden.

The field of 18 mushers will compete again tomorrow, February 3rd, in Kemmerer, Wyoming for Stage 3 on the Hams Fork Trail in the southern foothills of the Wyoming Range north of Kemmerer. A strong winter storm is expected to bring snow and wind Sunday night and will continue through Monday creating a potentially challenging day for this year's competitors.

The City of Kemmerer hosts a Fundraiser Dinner and Program at South Lincoln Training & Event Center in Kemmerer tonight.

From Kemmerer we travel to Big Piney/Marbleton, Wyoming:

Monday February 3rd — Marbleton, Wyoming.

6:00 PM Meet the Mushers Dinner Marbleton Senior Center, 429 East 1st Street, Marbleton.

Stage 4 — February 4th — Big Piney/Marbleton.

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at Middle Piney parking lot off road 350, 20 miles from Big Piney.

Tuesday February 4th — Lander, Wyoming.

5:30 — 6:30 PM Meet the Teams on Main Street in downtown Lander. Lander Bake Shop will host the 2019 Pedigree Stage Stop Movie.

Stage 5 — February 5th — Lander, Wyoming.

9:00 AM RACE STARTS Louis Lake parking lot, top of South Pass, Hwy 28.

Stage 6 — February 7th — Driggs, Idaho.

9:00 AM RACE STARTS at Kay Dairy Trail Head, 8.5 miles from Hwy 33 on 4000 N. **Parking at the Start/Finish is limited. Please plan to carpool.** There is no free shuttle this year, however individuals needing transportation may contact TRPTA at **208-529-1489** to book a ride at least 24hrs in advance.

Community Meet & Greet 2:00 - 3:00 pm in town 60 S Main St & overflow at 300 S Main St (east and west sides of Community Center)

Stage 7 — February 8th — Teton County, Wyoming 9:00 AM RACE STARTS Lower Slide Lake Trailhead.

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