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MEDIA ADVISORY

2,300-mile Solar Car Race Coming to Flagstaff, Ariz.

- What:** The American Solar Challenge (ASC), a 2,300-mile solar car race from Chicago to the Los Angeles area along historic Route 66, July 13-23. The American Solar Challenge is an educational event in which college teams and clubs from the U.S. and Canada compete to build and race solar-powered cars across the country. Twenty solar-powered cars are participating in the race. The car with the fastest cumulative time will win the Challenge, which is the longest solar car race in the world.
- When:** Solar cars are expected to pass through a checkpoint in Flagstaff **July 20 and 21**. The fastest cars could reach the checkpoint as early 4 p.m. July 20. Cars are required to stop for 30 minutes. Checkpoints are normally open from 8 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Please call contacts above for specific times that may differ.
- Where:** The Flagstaff checkpoint is at **Flagstaff City Hall, 211 W. Aspen**.
- How:** Media are encouraged to cover the race at the checkpoint location where racecar drivers and other team members will be available for interviews. Media team representatives and race officials also will be at the checkpoint. Daily race results, photos and other information will be posted at www.americansolarchallenge.org.

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The race is sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy and its National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), BP Solar and EDS
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