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**Redlands Bicycle Classic and San Manuel Band of Mission
Indians Partner to Present the 29th Annual Redlands
Bicycle Classic April 4-7**

Redlands, CA— The Redlands Bicycle Classic Committee and the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians are pleased to announce their partnership to present the 29th Annual Redlands Bicycle Classic. This event will be held April 4 – 7, 2013 in Redlands, CA. The Classic also has the distinction of being the first race on the 2013 USA Cycling National Racing Calendar cycling series.

“We are pleased to announce that the Redlands Bicycle Classic will be, “Presented By” the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians. It is an honor to have a presenting sponsor with such a rich history in the region, a history that includes supporting important community organizations and events”, Says Dan Rendler, Redlands Bicycle Classic President.

For 29 years, Redlands has been host to thousands from the local community and around the world, as more than 300 volunteers put on a world class event in the form of bike racing. Athletes of all abilities from toddlers barely able to touch the pedals, to seasoned professionals ready to become the next legend compete while the world watches as Redlands and surrounding communities put on this fantastic community event.

“The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians is proud to be the presenting sponsor of the 2013 Redlands Bicycle Classic and looks forward to having visitors from far and wide to historic downtown Redlands,” said San Manuel Band of Mission Indians Chairperson Carla Rodriguez.

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“San Manuel is honored to support the racers, volunteers and cycling fans for whom the Classic is a true labor of love. Community efforts like this help to build a strong and vibrant Inland region.”

The professional men and women’s races will include four tough days of racing, beginning with a Time Trial on Thursday, then a grueling road race in the scenic City of Beaumont on Friday, and wrapping up in Redlands with a criterium Saturday, and the famous Sunset Road Race on Sunday. For more information, including race times, distances, and volunteer opportunities, visit www.redlandsclassic.com.

About the Redlands Bicycle Classic

The Redlands Bicycle Classic is an all-volunteer organization, managed by the Redlands Bicycle Classic Organizing Committee, comprised of active community members that seek to see the promotion of cycling and its benefits in Redlands and its surrounding communities. The 29th Annual Redlands Bicycle Classic is scheduled for April 4th – 7th. The event was founded in 1985 by a community group, chaired by then-Mayor Carole Beswick, to promote awareness of Downtown Redlands. Since that time, professional cyclists from around the world have been racing the event, which is centered in the city of Redlands, California. The event continues today invigorated by the RBC Organizing Committee’s adoption of, and commitment to, the events’ core virtues of Health, Diversity, and the Environment. The Redlands Bicycle Classic is on the USA Cycling (USAC) National Racing Calendar (NRC) of events and is the opening round of the ten race series.

About San Manuel Band of Mission Indians: *About the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians - The San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians is a federally recognized American Indian tribe located near the city of Highland, Calif. The Serrano Indians are the indigenous people of the San Bernardino highlands, passes, valleys and mountains who share a common language and culture. The San Manuel reservation was established in 1891 and recognized as a sovereign nation with the right of self-government. Since time immemorial, the San Manuel tribal community has endured change and hardship. Amidst these challenges the tribe continued to maintain its unique form of governance. Like other governments it seeks to provide a better quality of life for its citizens by building infrastructure, maintaining civil services and promoting social, economic and cultural development. Today San Manuel tribal government oversees many governmental units including the departments of fire, public safety, education and environment. For more information, visit <http://www.sanmanuel-nsn.gov>.*

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