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LEG	LEG DISTANCE	ACCUMULATED DISTANCE	RANK	CATEGORY	LEG SUMMARY
Prologue	1.15	1.15			Tour historic Gonzales, going around perhaps the best courthouse in all of Texas!
1	4.26	5.41	10	3	Upon getting back to the Memorial Museum, Leg 1 runners leave Gonzales.
2	5.15	10.56	13	3	Straight down Hwy 90A towards Shiner, Texas, turning left near the end to run to finish at Sam Houston's Oak!
3	4.86	15.42	14	3	Excellent Dirt Road Running, finishing at the top of a notable hill, arguably the most rural part of the course.
4	4.08	19.5	28	1	Continues on peaceful dirt roads before finishing on the outskirts of Shiner, Texas.
5	3.92	23.42	30	1	Pretty much a direct shot to downtown Shiner!
6	4.1	27.52	25	2	Leave from Shiner and run back out to the Texas countryside.
7	3.71	31.23	31	1	Enjoys panoramic views of Texas hillsides.
8	5.18	36.41	15	3	Dirt Roads and country pavement, finishing in Old Moulton!
9	4.68	41.09	21	2	Starts in Old Moulton, has a little bit of dirt roads and finishes after a decent climb.
10	3.97	45.06	32	1	Heads north on country highway 95 and finishes in downtown Flatonia at the Lyric Theater!
11	6.17	51.23	7	4	Starts in downtown Flatonia. Broad curves and open country. Long gradual inclines and descents.
12	6.4	57.63	2	4	Mid-day sun could make this leg (with long inclines) warm. Runners must exercise extra caution to cross 2 short bridges. Ends in festive Schulenburg.
13	3.83	61.46	29	1	Shorter leg with rolling hills. Crosses beneath I-10 just before the finish.
14	4.15	65.61	26	2	Finishes in downtown Weimar where there will be music and fun. Net uphill makes this leg a little more challenging than similarly lengthed legs.
15	4.69	70.3	22	2	Overall descent ending in Borden (population: 50)
16	4.77	75.07	20	2	Hills begin to level out on this just-shorter-than-average leg.
17	6.68	81.75	3	4	A few miles to Columbus, takes a tour of the town, and finishes just south of I-10 at Snappy's!
18	3.7	85.45	34	1	Starting at Snappy's and finish at the Columbus airport!
19	6.82	92.27	5	4	Last leg with some dirt road, and finish in Altair.
20	5.55	97.82	12	3	Crosses over train tracks and over long narrow (but police-protected) bridge over the Colorado!



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21	3.87	101.69	33	1	This leg runs through Eagle Lake!
22	6.57	108.26	8	4	Flat, straight, long, and finishes at the giant grain elevator.
23	5.05	113.31	19	2	Continues on the same quiet road (FM 1093) and finishes by 2 driveways!
24	4.13	117.44	27	2	A flat and short run that finishes in Wallis! Most teams will be switching active vans because of the "sleeping" accommodations at Brazos High School.
25	6.19	123.63	9	4	Leaving Wallis on the flattest and straightest leg of the course. A train sighting likely. Passes by Brazos High, where many teams catch a couple of winks. Finishes at Brazos Elementary in Orchard.
26	5.28	128.91	18	3	Crosses over Brazos River and ends in Simonton!
27	4.75	133.66	23	2	Straight flat leg in which runners may begin to sense they are leaving rural farmland as newer subdivision can be seen to the right. Finishes in downtown Fulshear.
28	3.59	137.25	35	1	Suburbia is "officially" reached on this leg as it tours the Cross Creek Ranch subdivision.
29	2.5	139.75	36	1	West - to - Central Katy, finishing at a Timewise gas station.
30	5.39	145.14	16	3	Through the well-lit streets of Katy, finishing at Goodtimes Running Co!
31	5.32	150.46	17	3	Running into George Bush Park, going over a 1/4 mile boardwalk near halfway through the run (NOTE: If the park is flooded (so far it hasn't in the first 7 TIR's, but has been close), there will be an alternate leg that may be a bit longer).
32	6.79	157.25	6	4	Continues on the George Bush Trail. Peaceful run. Difficulty ranking due solely to length. (NOTE: If the park is flooded (so far it hasn't in the first 10 TIR's, but has been close), there will be an alternate leg that may be a bit shorter).
33	6.61	163.86	1	4	Runs on the well-known Terry Hershey Trail. Has a few small rolling inclines.
34	4.7	168.56	24	2	On Briar Forest straight towards downtown through well-preserved neighborhoods
35	5.68	174.24	11	3	Tours the Tanglewood / Great Uptown subdivision, before going around the north side of Memorial Park.
36	6.4	180.64	4	4	Start from Memorial Park (the running hub of Houston), and continue to the Buffalo Bayou Trail which affords the best views of downtown! Enter the city and finish with your team atop the TIR Tower!
Epilogue	0.05	180.69			Celebrate with your team!