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Change of Venue Notification

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It is with huge regret and disappointment that we need to inform you that due to the climatic conditions in Pattaya the location of the Championship's race venue needs to be changed. The Organising Committee are doing everything in their power to make the Championship successful given the problems they are facing.

The problem with the regatta site where the Championship was to be held is that the water depth is only 1.4 m deep.

The decision to change location has to be taken because, whilst it is currently the wet season it is not anticipated that the depth will rise sufficiently to provide fair racing at the regatta site. The organising committee also need sufficient time to construct the required facilities in the new location which is still near to the booked hotels.

To create a venue suitable for the World Championship is going to be a challenging task for the Organising Committee and they need time to make the necessary preparations.

The new location is at the Marb-Pra-Chan reservoir, where extensive depth sounding has been done to select the best location for the racing lanes.

The Marb-Pra-Chan reservoir provides the depth of water needed for fair racing but all the infrastructure required to support the Championship will need to be constructed by the Organising Committee.

The proposed layout plan for the revised site is shown below.



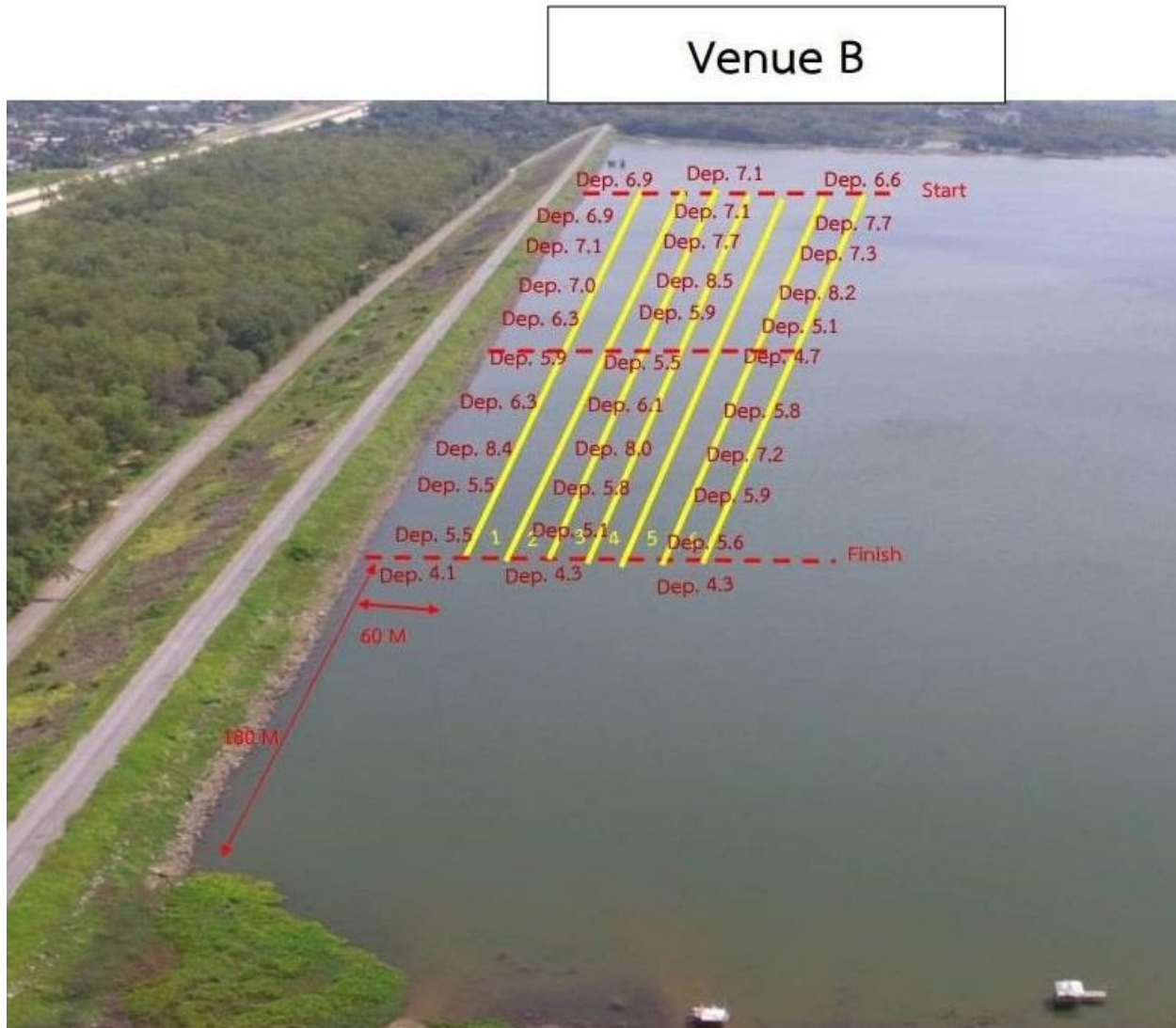


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Teams will also have concerns about the depth of water for the course at the new location. The depths at the new proposed location are shown below.



Distances from Hotels

The distance from the Ambassador Hotel to Marb-Pra-Chan reservoir is almost the same as the distance from the Ambassador Hotel to the original regatta site at the Khlong-Bang-Phai reservoir.

The distance from the Play Hotel and Banchang Palace Hotel to Marbn-Pra-Chan reservoir might take 20 minutes and 10 minutes longer respectively.

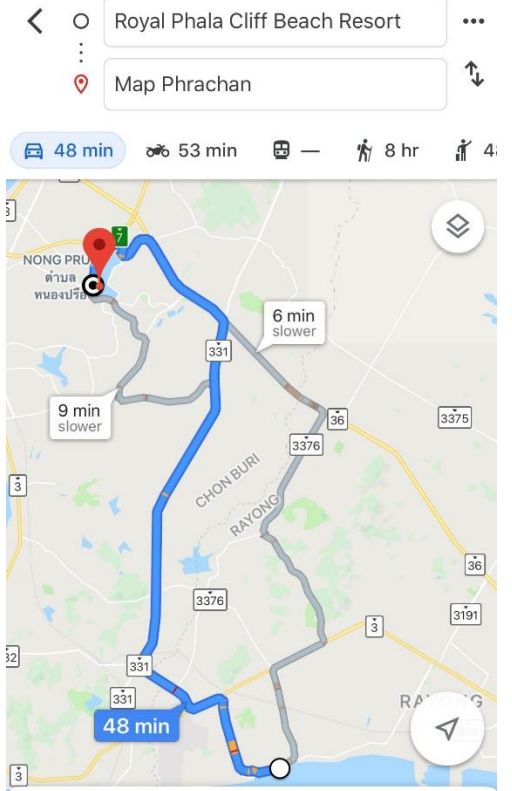
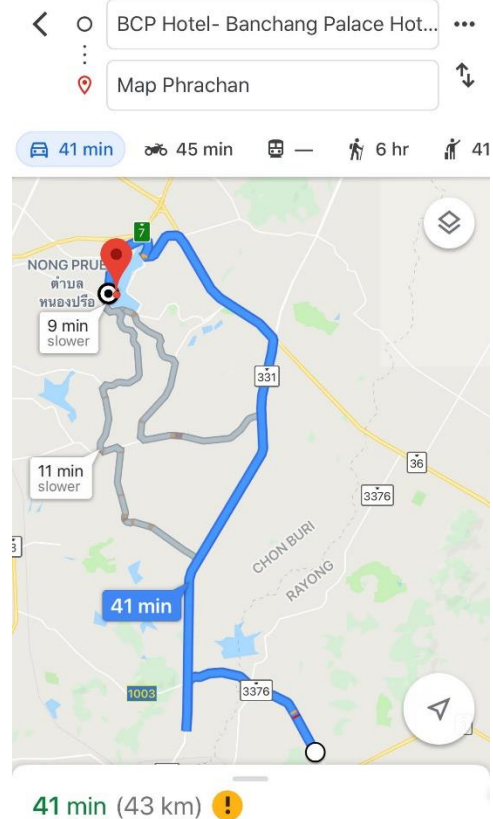
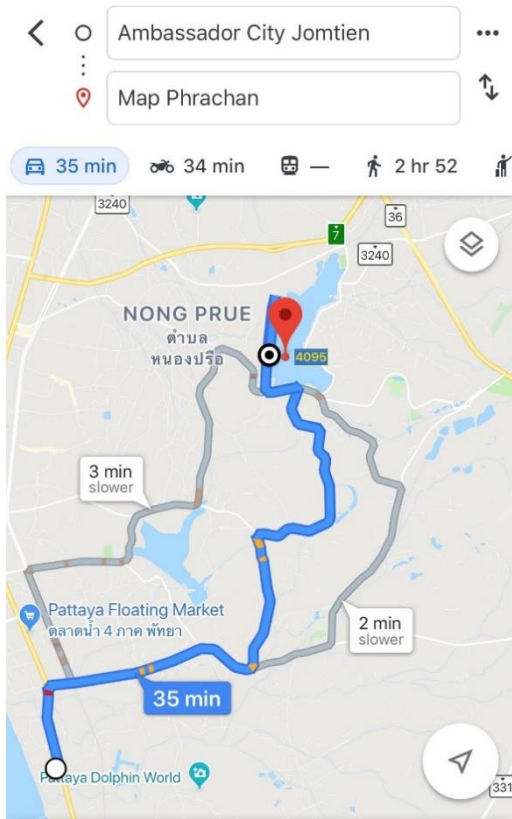
The route and estimated times are as shown in the maps below



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41 min (43 km) !
Fastest route, the usual traffic

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48 min (48 km) !
Fastest route, the usual traffic

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Opening Ceremony

The original plan will also need to be revised and a new location for the opening will be at the Sukhawadee Residence. There will be no charge for attendance at the opening Ceremony.

Conclusion

The Rowing and Canoeing Association of Thailand are deeply disappointed that the location needs to be moved because they had always planned and developed the regatta site for this Championship.

They now face a huge task to get the new location ready in a few weeks and prepare a venue that is of a standard for a World Championship. They will need all our support over the next few weeks and any inquiries about the new location need to be addressed to either:

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