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“First to Slide” Contest announced for new tube slide opening

Fort Smith, Ark – May 13, 2021 – Fort Smith area youngsters will have a chance to be the first people to experience the new tube slide, the O’Hana Highway, at Parrot Island Waterpark later this summer. Park officials recently announced the **"First to Slide" contest**, which offers kids under the age of 18 the opportunity to submit a short video explaining why they should be the first official waterpark guest to slide down the new 2-person tube slide after its completion this summer.



To qualify for consideration, contestants must submit a creative, family-friendly video, three minutes or less, that makes a strong case about why the contestant should earn the honor of sliding first, giving special emphasis to the contestant’s achievements and talents, both mainstream and quirky. Videos must be submitted by June 30th and contain the words "Parrot Island Waterpark First to Slide" in the title and the audio, include the hashtag #parrotislandwaterpark, and meet other criteria.

Kyle Taylor, General Manager, Parrot Island Waterpark, said "we can't wait for the first person to slide down this new attraction. Parrot Island Waterpark has many exclusive attractions. So, it just seemed fitting to do something extra special in honor of this new slide" he explained.

"Once we started thinking in that direction, it didn't take us long to come up with the idea of giving our youngest community members the chance to win lifetime bragging rights as the first to go down the O'Hana Highway slide. We can't wait to see what they come up with."

First to Slide contest rules and registration form can be found online at parrotislandwaterpark.com

Parrot Island Waterpark features the region's only FlowRider, wave pool, lazy river and soon to be tube slide along with four awesome twisting turning water slides, an activity pool and a themed children's aquatic play area. The outdoor waterpark has over 410,000 gallons of aquatic fun and has a variety of amenities, including party pavilions, cabana rentals, food, and beverage concessions, 800 complimentary deck and lounge chairs, over 250 complimentary water tubes, expansive grass lawns for relaxing and much more. The park is open Memorial Day through Labor Day.

Located at Ben Geren Park, residents and visitors can enjoy Parrot Island Waterpark along with miniature golf, go karts, playground equipment, outdoor picnic areas and pavilions, softball and soccer fields, tennis courts, a 1 ½ mile fitness and circuit walking trail, two 18-hole disk golf courses, over eight miles of paved bike trails, 11 miles of mountain bike trails, and an outstanding 27-hole county golf course.

Season passes are on sale now for the 2021 season. For more information, please visit www.parrotislandwaterpark.com . Parrot Island Waterpark is also on Facebook at www.facebook.com/parrotislandWP on Instagram @parrotislandwaterpark and Twitter @ParrotIslandWP

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