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Bridge Day Commission announces cancellation of Bridge Day 2021

New River Gorge, W.Va. — The Bridge Day Commission has made the decision to cancel Bridge Day, which was scheduled for October 16, 2021, due to uncertainty around the safety of mass gatherings.

"At its very core, Bridge Day is a community event. Therefore, in the best interest of our entire community and in support of our first responders, nurses, doctors, law enforcement and frontline workers, all Bridge Day 2021 activities are officially canceled." said Bridge Day Commission Chair Becky Sullivan.

Please look for some throwbacks to Bridge Day's past, as well as other fun on our second Virtual Bridge Day – October 16, 2021.

Bridge Day is West Virginia's largest single-day festival and one of the largest extreme sports events in the world. Approximately 100,000 people attend Bridge Day each year. In previous years, more than 300 BASE jumpers from over 33 states participated in the event as well as 300-plus rappellers.

Additional updates will be made on officialbridgeday.com.

About Bridge Day/New River Gorge Bridge Day Commission

Bridge Day is West Virginia's largest single-day festival and one of the largest extreme sports events in the world. Held annually every third Saturday in October on the New River Gorge Bridge in Fayette County, West Virginia, this is the only day each year thousands of spectators can walk across the bridge and watch as BASE jumpers get their chance to fly 876 feet into the Gorge below and rappellers ascend and descend from the catwalk.

The WV Legislature established the New River Gorge Bridge Day Commission to sanction, coordinate and promulgate rules and regulations for the annual event. The NRGBD Commission is composed of representatives from the Fayette County Chamber of Commerce, Fayette County Sheriff's Office, Fayette County Commission, WV State Police, Town of Fayetteville, WV Division of Highways. In recent years, the Bridge Day Commission has added advisory positions from Emergency Services, National Park Service, the BASE, Rappel and Vendor communities.