

4-06-24 Eagle Canyon Raceway

I had a couple hours in the morning while waiting for the rest of my friends to arrive for the eclipse and decided to swing by Eagle Canyon Raceway for a NASA race. It's a permanent road course built out pretty far from any major town and I drove through local highways for much of the trip from Dallas. I found a spot to park and walked up to the gate, where its free admission for spectators, you just have to sign the waiver. I really appreciate that aspect about NASA.

The track is at the top of a hill with the pits down below and it's a hike up to the top. The facilities were very nice throughout, clearly a lot of money has been put into it. Everything is fully paved and there are a number of buildings throughout for various shops and services and whatnot.



Everything was running about half an hour behind schedule but they were following the schedule once accounting for that. There were a number of different types of events running, including things like time trials and school races where overtaking is limited. I waited until a clearly countable class came on, running various open cockpit cars with a scattering of other vehicles.



There's a nice spectator viewing area that gives a pretty decent view of the track given how long and hilly it is. You can actually see most of it from there.





The cars were staged under awnings waiting to go out onto the track and they seemed to have classes lined up well in advance, in order to keep the show moving efficiently.

Overall it seemed to be a nice facility, well run with a good local following of road racers. It's kind of out in the middle of nowhere but everyone I talked to was very hospitable and for a random road course I was impressed.