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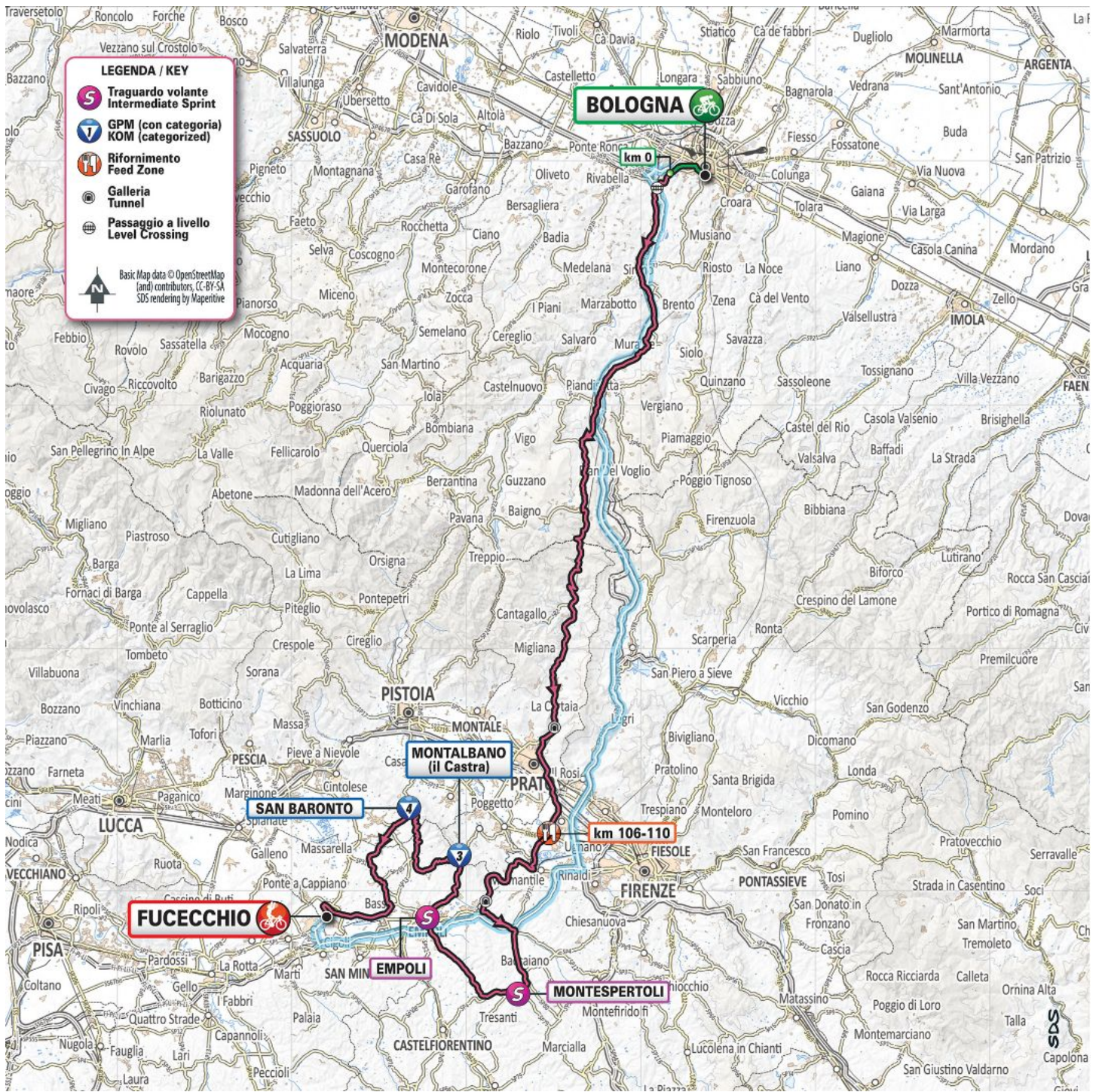
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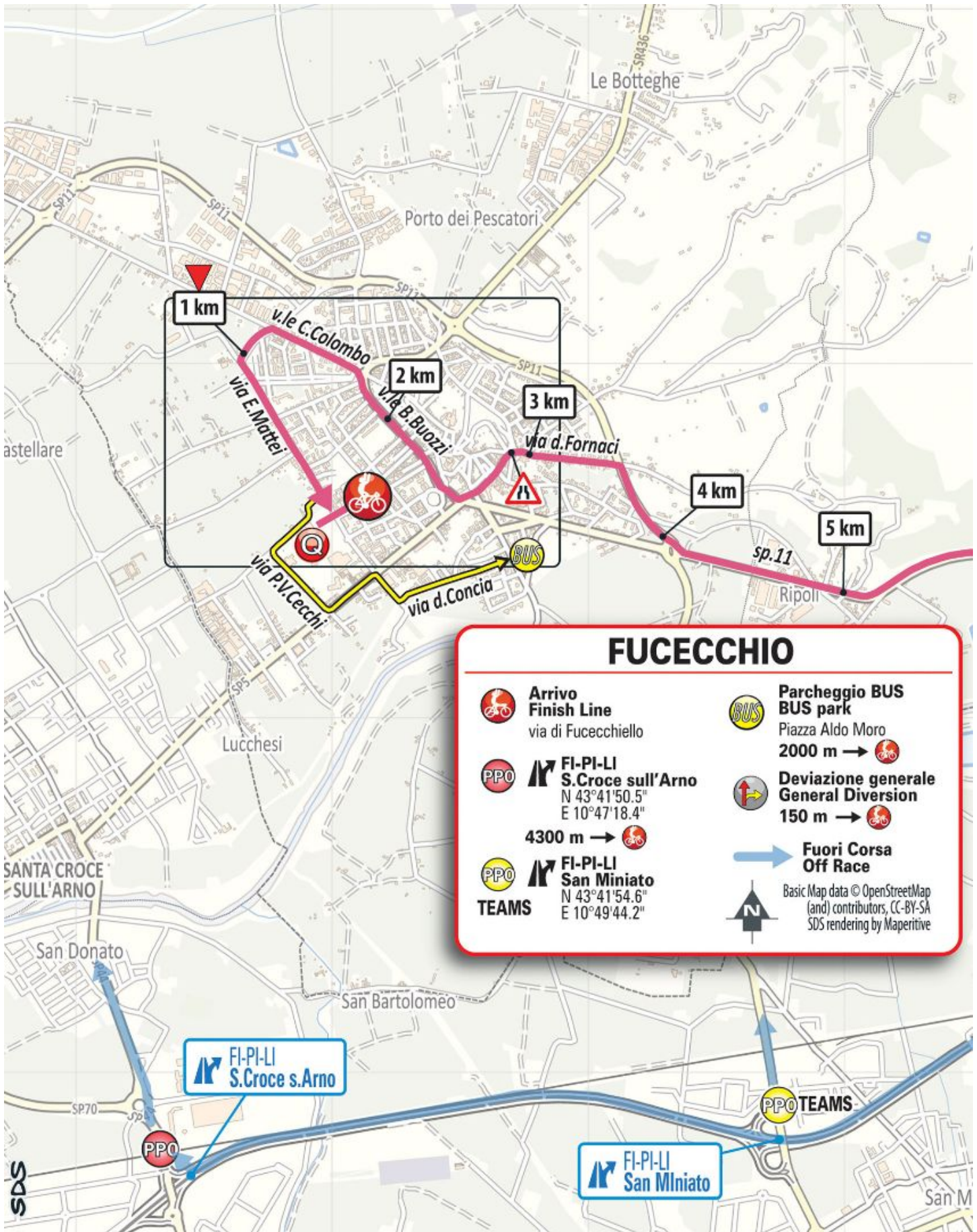
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 **Tim in KY** If I'm Sprinter B., I'm ditching Bora as soon as I can. 05-12 08:23

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 **BusterSci** I understand Bora wanting to take a German sprinter, since they're a German 05-12 08:28
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 **Charles Pelkey** Well, it depends on how you define Spring. It didn't snow today. 05-12 08:32


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 **BusterSci** Don't blame you. Are you managing three jobs now or just two? 05-12 08:36

















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









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


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	BusterSci Bora's white rimmed goggles are the nerd glasses of the peloton. As someone who wore nerd glasses for most of the single digits grade, I know.	05-12 10:02
	BusterSci Ciccone attacks but the AG2R rider sticks with.	05-12 10:03
	BusterSci The front three are together again.	05-12 10:03
	BusterSci Trek's Clark caught by the peloton.	05-12 10:04

















	BusterSci 1km to the top	05-12 10:04
	BusterSci Ciccone attacks again, and nobody covers	05-12 10:06
	BusterSci Takes his 9 KOM points	05-12 10:06
	Tim in KY Why is Ciccone in blue?	05-12 10:07
	BusterSci He'll be in blue tomorrow	05-12 10:07
	BusterSci 1:49 the gap	05-12 10:07
	Tim in KY But why today?	05-12 10:07
	BusterSci 47km	05-12 10:07
	BusterSci They're serious on this Cat 3 in the peloton	05-12 10:08
	BusterSci Fastest time up the climb yesterday.	05-12 10:08
	BusterSci Beat the prior record by 6 seconds.	05-12 10:08
	BusterSci 1:35	05-12 10:09
	Tim in KY Goodness.	05-12 10:09
	BusterSci He went way slow on the flat to put everything into the climb.	05-12 10:09
	BusterSci 45km	05-12 10:10
	BusterSci 1:46	05-12 10:10
	BusterSci 4 in front now as Frapporti catches the three.	05-12 10:10

















	BusterSci Trish. Greetings	05-12 10:11
	BusterSci There's real racing going on here now.	05-12 10:11
	BusterSci Bahrain leads on this tortuous descent.	05-12 10:12
	BusterSci See what I did there?	05-12 10:12
	Tim in KY Allegedly tortuous.	05-12 10:14
	BusterSci I see what YOU did there.	05-12 10:14
	BusterSci Nice	05-12 10:14
	BusterSci Lost our signal	05-12 10:15
	BusterSci At the finish now.	05-12 10:15
	BusterSci BEAGLE	05-12 10:15
	BusterSci Sorry, they're to me what horses are too Jo.	05-12 10:16
	Tim in KY I've got live. 40 km banner.	05-12 10:16
	BusterSci That was autocorrect that turned my to into too.	05-12 10:16
	BusterSci Me too, Tim	05-12 10:16
	BusterSci 1:13	05-12 10:16
	BusterSci Bakelants off the front of the peloton	05-12 10:17
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











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











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	BusterSci DQS too	05-12 11:05
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	BusterSci 3.5km	05-12 11:06
	BusterSci DDD in front	05-12 11:06
	BusterSci I mean, really?	05-12 11:06
	BusterSci Sprinting for the 3km line	05-12 11:07
	BusterSci Ineos has a guy up front too	05-12 11:07
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	BusterSci 2km	05-12 11:08

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	BusterSci Belletti (ANdroni's sprinter) has a mech	05-12 11:08
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	Tim in KY That's horrible autocorrect.	05-12 11:12

-  **BusterSci** I would not be surprised if Ackerman gets relegated. He didn't hold his line 05-12 11:12
and cut Viviani off., although Viviani was also drifting.
-  **BusterSci** What was it supposed to be, Tim? 05-12 11:12
-  **Tim in KY** Demare. 05-12 11:13
-  **BusterSci** Wow. So much for AI. 05-12 11:14
-  **Trish in MA** At least Autocorrect knows the QWERTY keyboard 05-12 11:14
-  **BusterSci** Viviani beat Ewan 05-12 11:14
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-  **BusterSci** [https://rumbletalk-images-
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-  **Tim in KY** Any talk of commissar intervention? 05-12 11:16
-  **BusterSci** Nope 05-12 11:16
-  **BusterSci** No change in the GC top 10 05-12 11:16
-  **Tim in KY** 6-10 are all WHO? 05-12 11:17
-  **Mons Soseman** Is it over? 05-12 11:17
-  **Tim in KY** Yes. 05-12 11:18
-  **BusterSci** I know Selig but he's a readout guy that stayed up front. Kuznetsov isn't 05-12 11:20
unknown but wouldn't have ;picked him as a sprinter. Sbaragli sounds like the noise you make with
mouthwash. De Buyst is not familiar.

	RIDER	TEAM	TIME	TIME BONUS
	1  ACKERMANN Pascal	BORA - HANSGROHE	4h 44' 43"	0' 10"
	2  VIVIANI Elia	DECEUNINCK - QUICK-STEP	4h 44' 43"	0' 06"
	3  EWAN Caleb	LOTTO SOUDAL	4h 44' 43"	0' 04"
	4  GAVIRIA RENDON Fernando	UAE TEAM EMIRATES	4h 44' 43"	
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BusterSci leadout.

05-12 11:20



Mons Soseman Happy Sunday everyone. Happy Mother's Day you mothers.

05-12 11:21



BusterSci Thanks, Mons!

05-12 11:21



BusterSci See youse guys tomorrow.

05-12 11:22



Trish in MA Thanks, everyone. Off to mother my garden.

05-12 11:22