

U.S. women mediocre in super G in Colo.

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BEAVER CREEK -- Swiss Lara Gut set the speed pace for the 2015 FIS Alpine World Ski Championships with victory in the both the Nature Valley Raptor downhill and super G.

Leanne Smith (N. Conway, N.H.) earned the best result for the U.S. Ski Team with 23rd, which came as perfect weather Saturday blanketed the thousands on hand in Beaver Creek for the second straight day of Audi FIS Alpine World Cup racing.

Stacey Cook (Mammoth Mountain) and Julia Mancuso (Squaw Valley) also earned World Cup points with 28th and 29th, respectively.

"We should have done better here as a group. I think we are better than this, and I think when we get back on the courses that we are a little more familiar with and we can get into our normal pattern again, we'll start bringing the results we brought last year," Cook said.

Giant slalom will close the women's weekend on Sunday with slalom World Champion Mikaela Shiffrin (Eagle-Vail, Colo.) taking to the Raptor slope for the first time since training on the hill last spring.