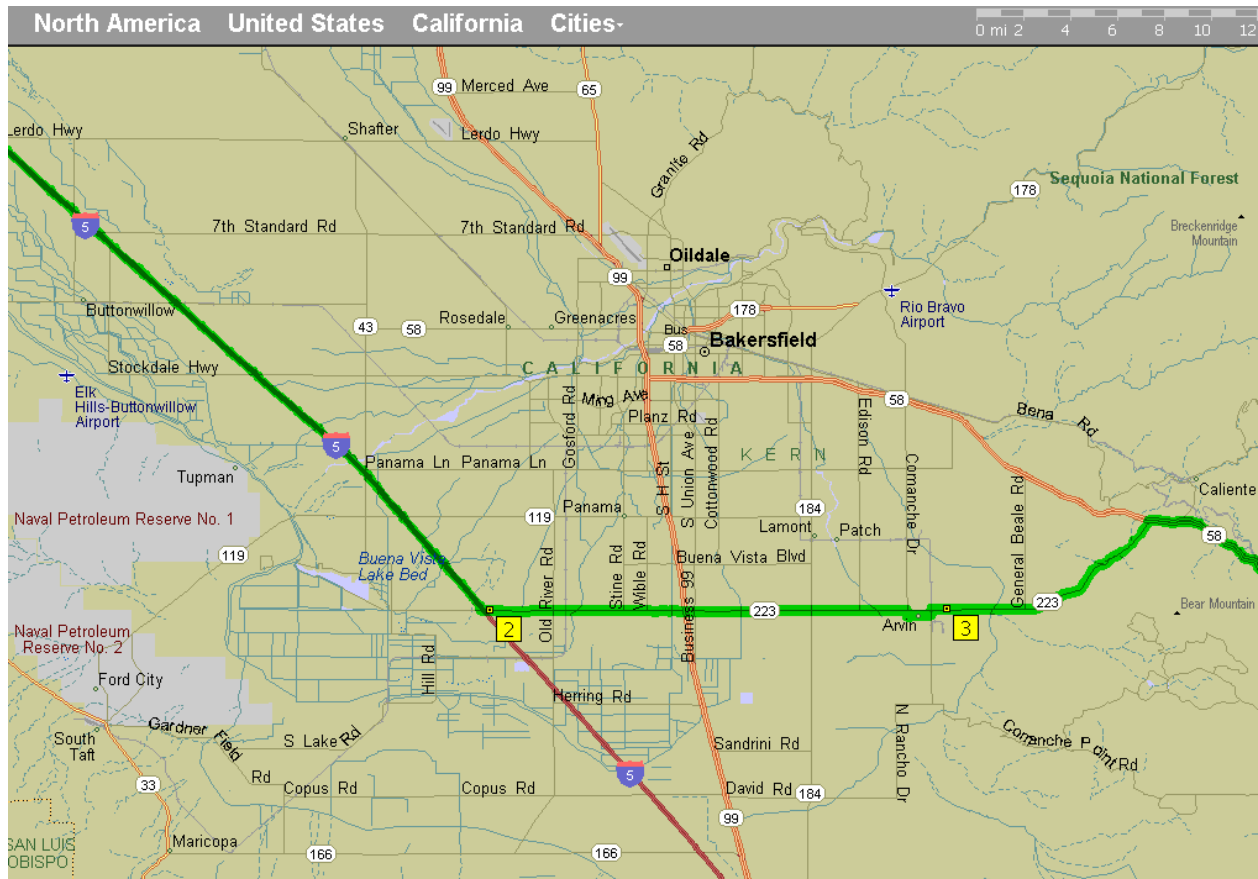


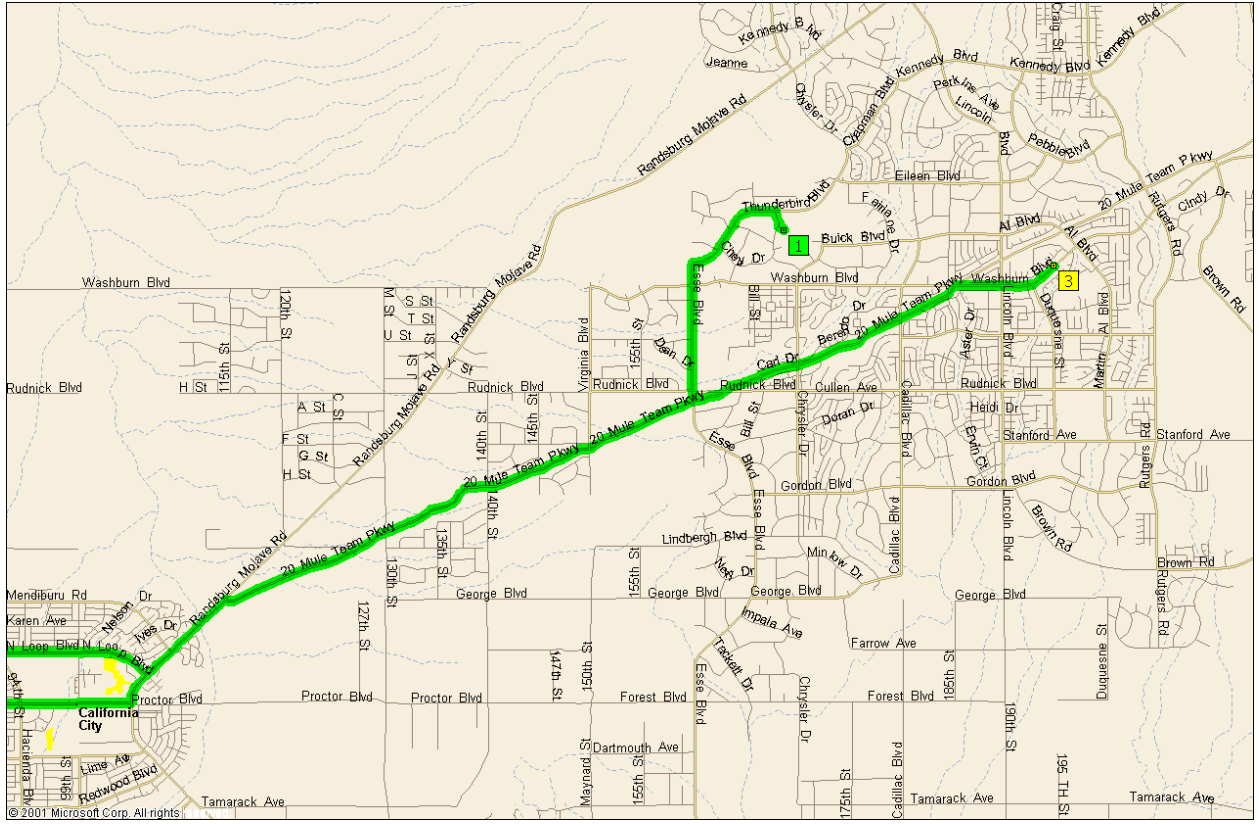
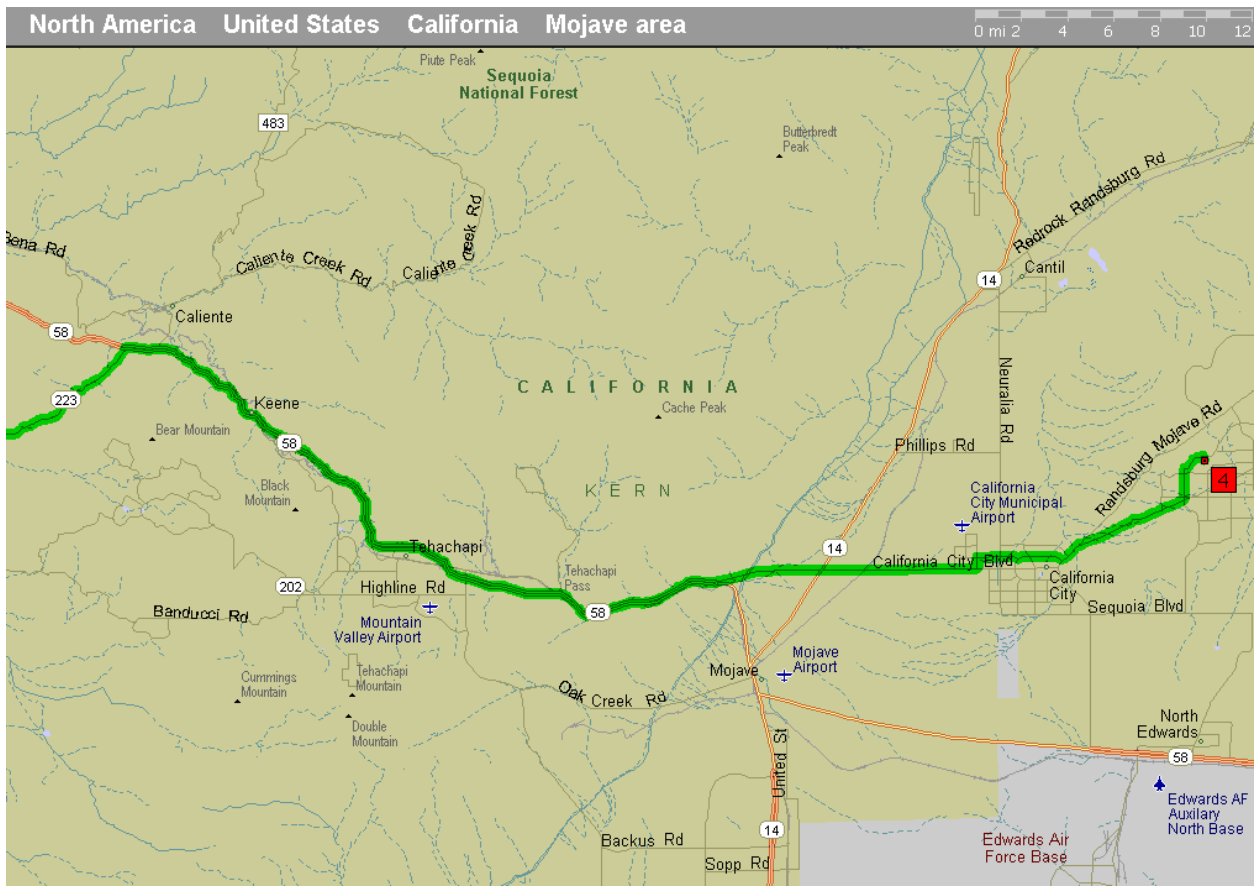
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Mojave Desert Camp Site & Information



Directions to the Camp Sites we prefer to use.

1. Take Interstate-5 to Hwy-223 & follow east thru Arvin and up to Hwy-58 EAST.
2. After dropping down from the Tehachapi Summit (still on Hwy-58), take the 1st exit to California City/Mojave & follow Randsburg Cutoff Rd. across Hwy-14 (now California City Blvd.) to California City.
3. Continue on California City Blvd. east, to the 1st stop sign past the pedestrian bridge & golf courses.
4. Turn left on Randsburg-Mojave Rd. & go 1.3 miles.
5. Follow the paved road as it bears right and becomes 20 Mule Team Parkway. Go ~5.0 miles. You will pass a prison on your right & a **large** water tank on your left.
6. Site specific directions are further down...



Site # 1 by the small hills, & Site # 3 on Washburn in front of the hill with the water tank

To Site # 1 (*NOTE: we rarely use this too-popular site anymore.*)

1. Turn left on Esse Blvd. (1st of the gravel roads past the water tank) & go 1.3 miles.
2. Turn right & follow this road ~1.0 miles (thru a left curve, a straight, a right curve, and into the next straight) .
3. Turn right on NEXT dirt road & camp is at the end of this "cul-de-sac".

To Site # 3 (Our normal camping location now)

(For a GoogleMap with GPS coordinates, <<http://maps.google.com/maps?q=35.1886,-117.7805>> CLICK HERE!)

1. Continue on Twenty-Mule Team Parkway past Esse, Chrysler, & Cadillac.
2. Turn RIGHT on Washburn Blvd (street sign is on LEFT side of 20-Mule Team) & it will point you straight towards the hill with the water tank(see picture below).
3. Follow the curve to the left & we're RIGHT HERE in front of the hill with the water tank.
(OR ... Turn RIGHT on AL Blvd., take the first RIGHT on Washburn.)



View of Site # 3's Hill with Water Tank from Washburn Blvd. turn off



View of Site # 3's Hill with Water Tank from Al Blvd. turn off

Camping Information: This is *primitive* camping. There are NO water or restroom facilities where we camp.* You need to bring EVERYTHING with you that you require, and take it with you when you leave. It can be VERY windy & cold in the desert at night. Coleman tents from WalMart have been known to self-destruct with the occupants still inside! Good 3-4 season tents, properly guyed down will work, but can be very noisy in the wind. There are a few scrub bushes near by to dig a hole & set-up a potty behind. The experienced desert riders are in trailers & vans, or have generous friends who do. Some folks share meals & food, but that's usually pre-arranged BEFORE the trip. Here's the list of things you should bring;

- ? Shelter - good 3-4 season tent with proper guying & earplugs, auto/truck/van, trailer, or motel room.
- ? Drinking water & hydration system for the trail (100-oz size recommended for long day loops).
- ? All food for meals & snacks/meals on the trail.
- ? Cooking stuff.
- ? Toilet stuff.
- ? Clothing for 90-degree days, 20-degree nights, & everything in between.
- ? *"It never rains or snows in the desert!"* Julio Hotstuff Sanchez. Who musta been high on ...
- ? "Quality Libations".
- ? Firewood, LOTS of firewood.
- ? Large garbage bags to collect & haul your stuff away.
- ? Dirtbike, riding gear, fuel, spare parts, & stuff.
- ? Monkey-brains fixings for Julio
- ? Extra gasoline for Hans' midnight pyro rituals.
- ? More firewood.

***UPDATE:** *On 20-Mule Team, between Esse & Chrysler is the Borax-Bill Park, now with restrooms, showers, (food during the day)& a dumpster. This is the closest place to leave your garbage bags on the way out.*

California City has a couple of grocery stores (with firewood) & gas stations, but no motels. Mojave is where you will find the closest motels (Motel 6, 661-824-4571, is 24 miles from camp), but remember your ear plugs as the trains run 24-hours-a-day.

[Weather.Com 10-day Forecast for Edwards AFB](#) (just a couple of miles south of camp)