

Pony Express enthusiasts:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has completed marking the Pony Express route across Nevada. About 80 per cent of the route is on national resource lands and, therefore, is accessible to the public.

The attached maps, covering the state in four parts, are preliminary maps from our management plan. They provide the actual Pony Express route, identified by historical research and on-the-ground examination, and the recommended route, which we suggest be used instead of the actual route in areas indicated because of topographic, ownership, or safety problems. The numbers on the map refer to locations cited on the following pages.

These maps are, by necessity, on a rather large-scale. They are adequate only to find general locations and are not on a small enough scale for many people, not familiar with the area, to follow. Therefore, we recommend using them in conjunction with the BLM quad map series (scale one-inch to the mile) that are available at the BLM Reno office for \$1.50 each. These can be ordered through the BLM district offices.

Of course, once on the ground you will be aided by markers every one to two miles. At major and secondary highways, there will be large wooden signs to direct you. The rest of the route is marked intermittently by concrete and wooden posts, most marked with a large "XP," the Pony Express horses' brand.

A few words of advice as you travel the trail: --Some of the route is on private land. We advise that you honor private property including fences, gates, and no trespassing signs where they exist. Where the route is blocked and is not accessible, take the recommended route on the map.

--Historic ruins and artifacts of the Pony Express, like all cultural resources, are protected by Federal law. As you find these at station sites along the route, please do not damage or remove them. Leave them as they are for others to enjoy.

--Portions of the Pony Express route cover some very remote areas. Always let someone know where you're going and when you plan to return. That way, if you run into trouble, they can send help. Also, in hot, desert areas, always take plenty of water.

--Most of the route is off county and state highways. In many of these areas, we recommend a four-wheel drive vehicle for maximum safety.

We hope you enjoy your trip on the Pony Express route. There are brochures and other information on the Pony Express available at BLM offices throughout Nevada.

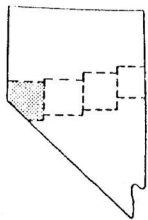
Code on Map	Area Described	Miles Via Actual Route	Miles Via Recommended	Type of Transportation Recommended	Road Information	Site Information	Site Ownership
03-00 and 03-27	Station and route inside California.		Contact California BLM State Office, Sacramento, for information.				
03-01 and 03-02	Friday's Station					Blacksmith shop still stands.	Private
03-03	Route between stations	10	13	Auto	Old Kingsbury Grade is blocked by private ownership and the criss-crossing of new State highway, but the new paved road is near actual route.		
03-04	Genoa Station					Site of station is now a vacant lot.	Private
03-05	Route between stations	12	12	Auto	Paved, county road near route.		
03-06	Carson City Station					Site is on a city block; nothing remains of station.	Private
03-07	Route between stations	11	9	Auto	Paved, Federal highway near route. Actual route questioned by historians.		
03-08	Dayton Station					One site near gravel pit; other near Union Hotel. Nothing of either station remains.	Private
03-09	Route between stations	8	8	Auto	Dirt, county road.		

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03-10	Miller's or Reed's Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private
03-11	Route between stations	13	13	Auto	Dirt, county road.		
03-12	Fort Churchill					Headquarters building was stopping point for Pony Express. It still stands.	State Historic Monument
03-13	Route between stations	1	2	Auto	Paved, county road.		
03-14	Buckland's Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private
03-15	Route between stations	12	12	Auto	Dirt, public road.		
03-16	Hooten Wells Station					Rock ruins remain.	Public
03-17	Route between stations	15	20	4-wheel drive (4WD)	Dirt, public road, but is washed out frequently.		
03-18	Carson Sink Station					No visible structural remains.	Bureau of Reclamation withdrawal.
03-19	Route between stations	23	29	Auto	2WD access. New access road via road into Sand Mountain.	Rock ruins remain. Interpretive signs guide visitor through the station. Sand Springs Desert Study Area surrounds station. Interpretive trail explains Natural History of the area.	
03-20	Sand Springs Station					Rock foundations remain.	Public
03-21	Route between stations	34	34	Auto & 4WD	Access is on foot by 1½ mile trail from U.S. Hwy.50.	Interpretive ramada at trailhead next to highway. Interpretive signs at station.	
03-22	Cold Springs Station					Substantially intact. Ruins remain.	Public
03-23	Actual route between stations (03-22 to 06-110)	23			Access blocked		

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---	Recommended route (north) from 03-22 to 06-110		36	Auto & 4WD	Private land blocks actual route, eliminating direct access from 03-22 to 03-24, 06-100, and 06-115 (two Pony Express Stations and a famous ambush site.)		
03-24	Ambush site					Aspen grove is still there.	Public
06-100	Smith's Creek Station					Some ruins remain.	Private
06-115	Dry Wells Station					Nothing remains of station.	Public
---	Recommended route from 06-110 back to 06-100		30	Auto & 4WD	Use old Highway 50, backtracking through Railroad Pass. For the rest of the trip, 4WD is needed to get to 06-100.		
06-110	Reese River Station					Exact site unknown.	Private
---	Route between stations	14	14	Auto	Actual route through Toiyabe National Forest. Good road.		
06-120	Simpson Park Station					Some stone foundations still remain.	Private
---	Route between stations	16	30	Auto	Actual route through canyon washed out.		
06-130	Dry Creek Station					Some stone foundations still remain.	Private
---	Route between stations	19	19	Motorcycle or horse	Summer/fall access only. Poor, washed out road.		
06-140	Grub's Well Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private

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---	Route between stations	14	14	4WD	Summer/fall access only. Poor, washed out road.		
06-150	Robert's Creek Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private
---	Route between stations	16	16	4WD			
06-160	Sulphur Spring Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private
---	Route between stations	13	13	4WD	Poor road.		
06-170	Diamond Springs Station					Some rock ruins remain.	Private
---	Route between stations	15.5	15.5	4WD			
04-200	Jacob's Well Station					Some rock ruins remain.	Public
---	Route between stations	11	11	4WD	Route crosses small portion of Humboldt National Forest.		
04-201	Ruby Valley Station					Nothing remains of original station at the site.	Private
---	Route between stations	9	9	Pick up			
04-202	Mountain Springs Station					Nothing remains of station.	Private
---	Route between stations	11	11	Pick up			
04-203	Butte Station					Portions of stone fireplace, walls, and foundation remain.	Public
---	Route between stations	15.5	15.5	Pick up			
04-204	Egan Station					Some stone foundations still exist.	Public

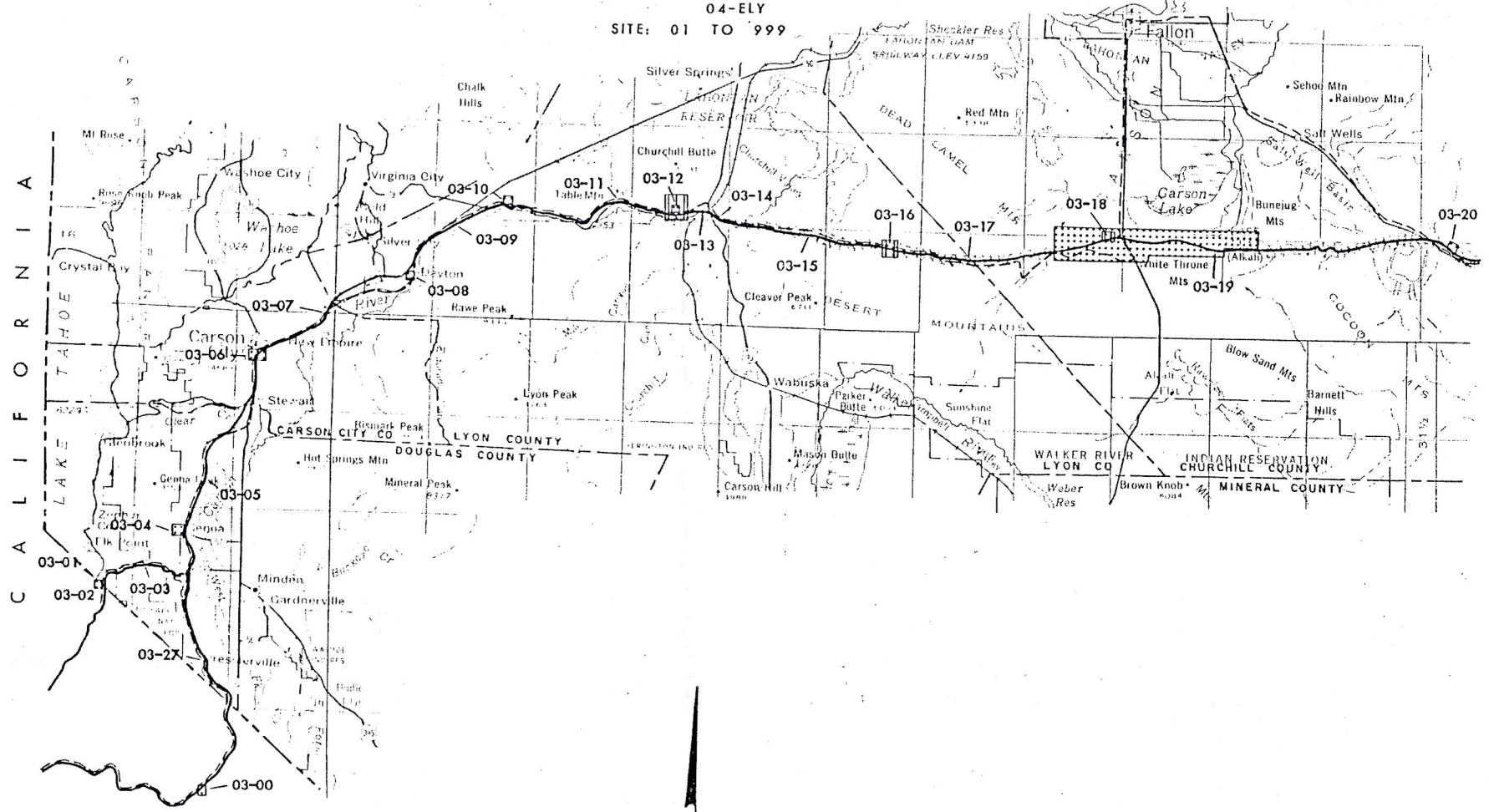
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04-208	Fort Pierce Graveyard					Graveyard, possibly containing remains of Pony Express rider, is in good condition.	Public
04-209	Egan Canyon/Georgetta Cabin					Cabin, built about 1874, is still standing.	Public
04-210	Egan Canyon Wayside					Site chosen for BLM highway wayside containing Pony Express history and local stories.	Public
---	Route between stations	15	15	Pick up			
04-205	Schell Creek Station					Remnants of historic Fort Schellbourne remain, but it is not known if these include the Pony Express station.	Private
---	Route between stations	7.5	7.5	Pick up			
04-206	Spring Valley Station					Exact site of station is unknown.	Private
---	Route between stations	12.5	12.5	Auto			
04-207	Antelope Springs Station					Some historic structures remain at the site but it is not known if these include the Pony Express station.	Private
---	Route between 04-207 and Utah border	20	20	Pick up	Crosses Goshute Indian Reservation.		
04-211	Prairie Gate Station					Exact site of station is unknown.	Private. Probably inside Goshute Indian Reservation.



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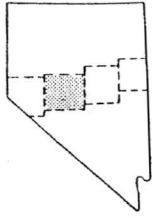
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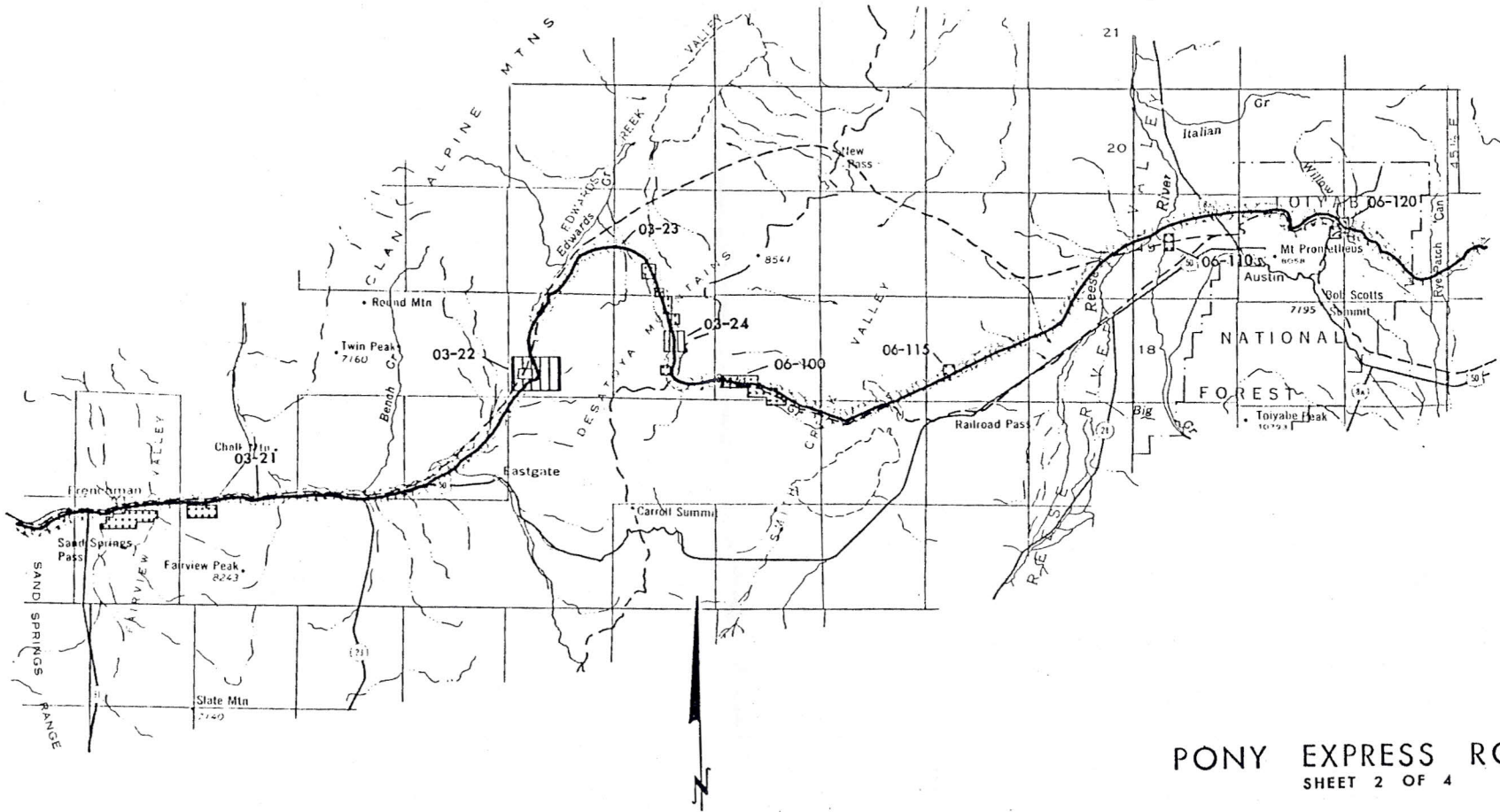




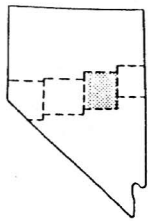
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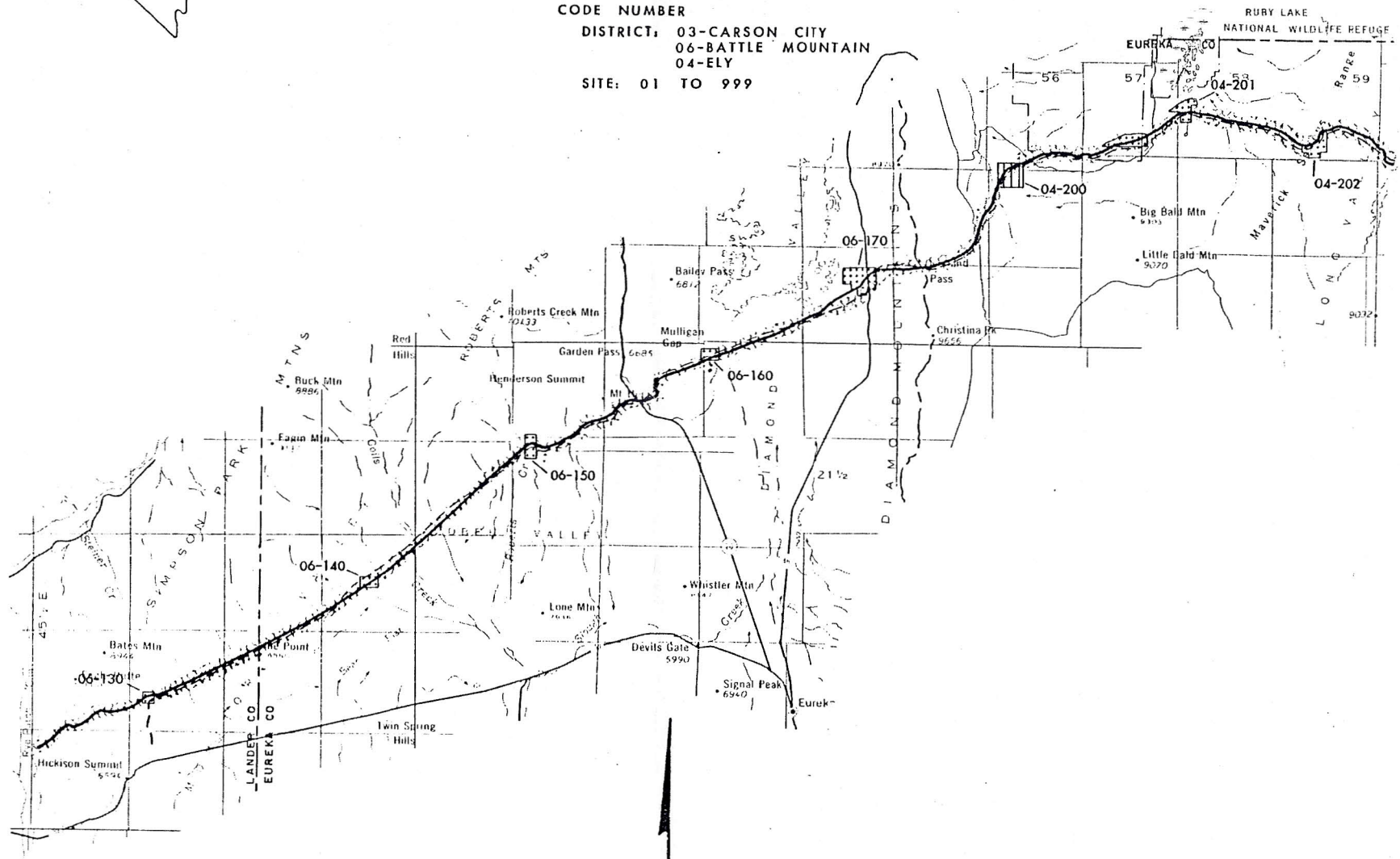


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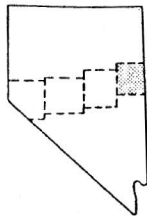


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