

WEST WENDOVER AREA TRAIL MAP

PILOT PEAK



Captain John C. Fremont's survey party made the first recorded crossing of the Salt Flats to Pilot Peak in 1845 with a scouting party including Kit Carson and Joe Walker. Fremont sent Carson ahead to scout for water and Carson reportedly sent up smoke signals from springs which he located at the eastern base to guide the rest of the party to the location, thus the name given as "Pilot". Though Joe Walker's writings gave warning to emigrants not to attempt the untried route, a young 23-year old man named Lansford Hastings retraced Fremont's trail across the salt plain and the crossing was named Hastings Cutoff. The next year (1846) the Donner-Reed party using the cutoff was delayed due to muddy conditions across the flats and eventually were late in crossing the high Sierra Mountains on the Nevada/California border, trapping the party in winter storms which eventually led to the death of all but a few.

Beginner, intermediate and skilled hikers can all find a route to the top of Pilot Peak. At the summit, for those who make it, is located a log book to sign as proof of your journey. Many forms of wildlife can be viewed including elk, mountain lion, deer, mountain sheep and others.

Directions: EAST: (1) Travel east on Interstate 80. Take Exit #4 proceed for approximately 1 mile then take a left. Continue northwest for about 2 miles until reaching Leppy Pass. Following the main road to the left, travel for approximately 1.5 miles until reaching the eastern base of the mountain. WEST: (2) Travel west on Interstate 80 and take the Pilot Peak exit (approx. 12 miles west of West Wendover). Turn right at the exit and then follow the main road to the north, it will lead you to the northwestern side of the mountain.

PILOT PEAK GHOST TOWN & WILDLIFE CENTER



Take a walk down main street of a Nevada ghost town that started back in 1872 with the mining of gold and silver. By the 1890's the town saw occasional visits by several wild west outlaws. See some of the original buildings, antiques, railroad, and mining equipment from Nevada's past. Next door, is the Pilot Peak Wildlife Center, which offers guided tours to provide education and entertainment to visitors while they observe the habits and unique abilities of a variety of animals.

Directions: Both facilities are located 11 miles from West Wendover, next to the Pilot Peak exit on I-80. See www.ghosttownnevada.com for opening date (April, 2010).

BLUE LAKE



Blue Lake is a very unique geothermal lake with extensive depth for scuba divers who use it for certification. The lake temperature remains a moderate 72 degrees year-round and offers a wide array of marine life.

Directions: Proceed south on U.S. Highway 93A 16.8 miles. Make a left turn and proceed on the dirt road an additional 6.8 miles to the base of the lake. Be extra cautious as the road may have washouts and the area around the lake is quite marshy.

GOSHUTE RAPTOR MIGRATION PROJECT



This is one of the nations premier spots in the west to view hawks and other migratory birds as they venture south for the winter. The best time to view migrations is from mid-August through the first week of November.

Directions: Travel south on U.S. Highway 93A south 24 miles to Ferguson Springs located on the north side of the highway. Turn right and follow the main dirt road at Ferguson Springs for 1.8 miles to a "T" intersection. Turn right and proceed another 1.3 miles to the top of the hill, then take the left fork in the road and continue 2 miles to the parking area at the beginning of the trailhead. The hike is approximately 2.5 miles in length and a climb of 1,800 feet.

TOKIO TROLLEY



The "Tokio Trolley" was built as an advanced training device for gunnery crews of the heavy bomber groups, which trained in Wendover during World War II. The trolley consisted of three machine guns mounted on a small rail car, which would move up to 40 M.P.H. on laid rail line. During the movement of the rail car, in the distance were located three firing pits that were constructed with moveable targets mounted on jeeps. The jeeps, which were protected from the live firing by the pit walls, were set in motion on wooden track systems inside the pits with speeds between 10 and 15 M.P.H. This would give realistic and precise gunnery training to individuals by providing a moving firing mount as well as moving targets. The system was so successful that in a telegram General Douglas McArthur voiced his praise by saying "Wendover's gunners were the best trained in the Army". This facility was a main part of the gunnery range and included in excess of 60 buildings for operations and storage, etc. However, after World War II, the facilities were removed and all that remains are the firing pits, some concrete foundations in addition to the several stationary concrete firing platforms.

Directions: Proceed east on Wendover Boulevard from the Welcome Center. Turn left on Aria Boulevard and proceed north for 2.5 miles. The paved road will become dirt and you will pass the Wendover City Cemetery on your left, proceed on the main dirt road for another 2 miles and you will eventually see the firing pits to your left and center.

DANGER CAVE & JUKE BOX CAVE



These caves are of prehistoric nature with excavations of Danger Cave done by the State of Utah proving human occupation of the area dating back 10,300 years. The documented excavations are available for view at the Utah State Historic Preservation Office in Salt Lake City. Jukebox Cave as well has a more recent and interesting history of being used as a dance hall complete with a poured concrete floor done by service men stationed here during World War II and working at the base camp of the Gunnery Range located just north of this area. To deter vandalism which was rampant in the early 1990's, steel bars have been placed on the entrances, sorry.

Directions: Travel east on Interstate 80, take Exit #4 and turn left. Proceed for approximately 0.5 miles and turn left at a lone paved road. Proceeding west, the road will eventually turn to dirt and you will need to travel another 1.5 miles till reaching the base of Wendover Peak (the mountain with the radio towers on top) where both caves are located on the eastern side of the mountain, Danger Cave towards the southern end and Jukebox Cave to the northern end.

BONNEVILLE SALT FLATS



Here, world land speed records have been set for nearly a century including the record setting run of the rocket car "Blue Flame" driven by Gary Gabelich at speeds over 622.407 M.P.H. Lake Bonneville was named after Captain

L.E. Bonneville a United States Military Officer and Explorer. The salt flats where formed as the ancient lake which was once 1,050 feet deep, 145 miles wide and 346 miles long retreated to what is now the Great Salt Lake.
Directions: Travel east from West Wendover on Interstate 80. Take Exit #4 and follow the directional signs marked "Bonneville Salt Flats".

SILVER ISLAND MOUNTAINS NATIONAL BACK COUNTRY BYWAY



This range of mountains encompasses a 54-mile loop that traverses some of the most unique country in the U.S. It is a remote range of desert peaks adjacent to the Bonneville Salt Flats. Scenic vistas of the surrounding area, combined with the relative isolation along the route, offer the visitor a surreal experience. You will pass historical markers along the route such as the Donner Reed Pass. Coral and other fascinating geological formations from the days of ancient Lake Bonneville can be found throughout the area. Take specific note of the shorelines of ancient Lake Bonneville, which were carved into the mountains approximately 1,000 feet above ground level.

Directions: (Silver Island Mountains National Back Country Byway) A BLM brochure is available for this adventure so just ask for it. If you do not have the brochure then travel east on Interstate 80. Take Exit #4 proceed for approximately 1 mile then take a left. Continue northwest for about 2 miles to Leppy Pass. Begin your adventure of the Silver Island Mountain Range from this point by taking the dirt road to the right and heading north.

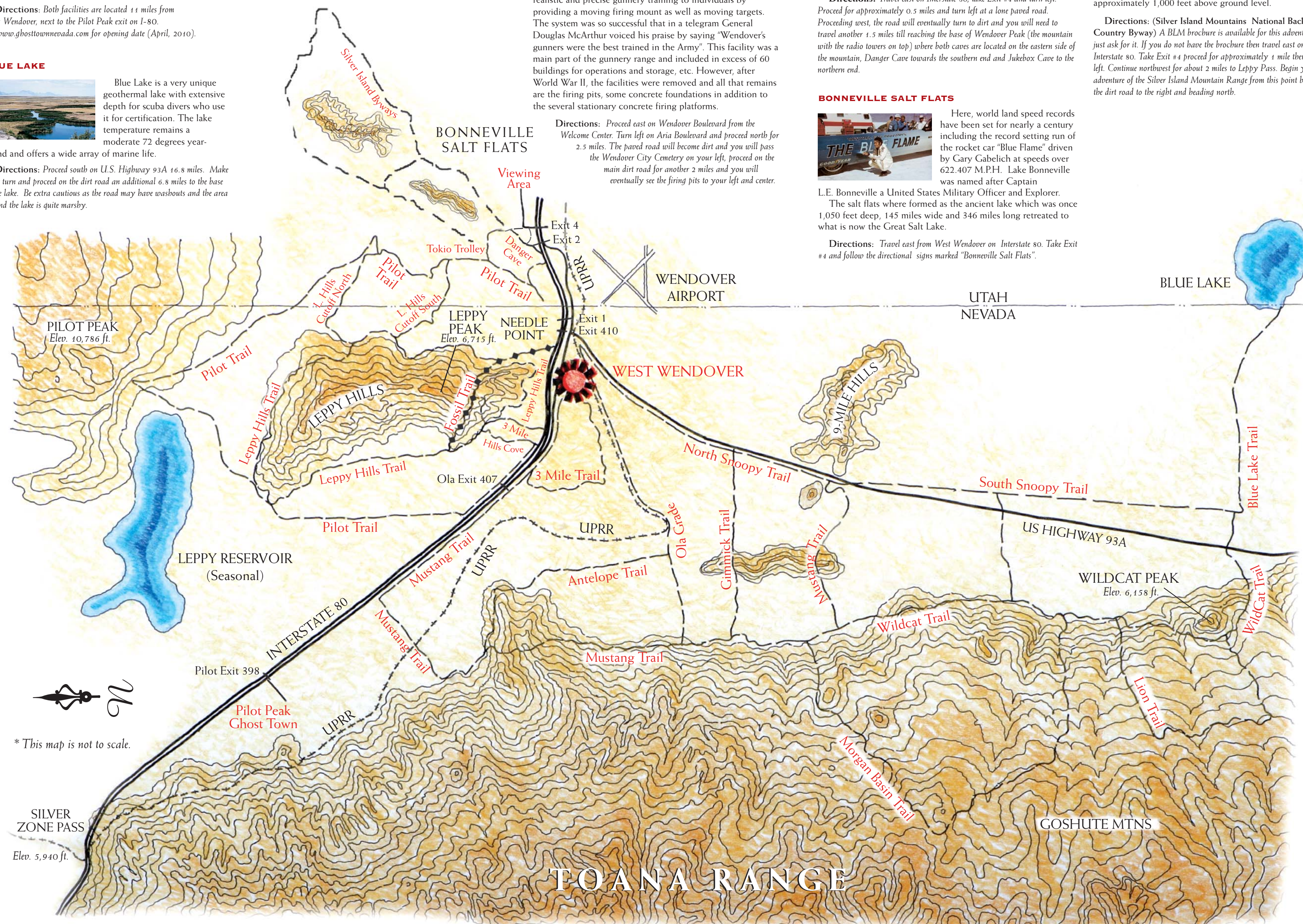
Many of the areas described herein are located in a high desert environment with seasonal temperature and climate extremes. Careful consideration should be given in regards to traveling in off-road capable vehicles. A few safety tips to keep in mind are: Carry plenty of water, plan your trip/excursion carefully, dress appropriately for the season, the region and the activity you are planning, be mindful of thunderstorms and the potential for flash floods. Remember you are in an open nature environment where you will be in the presence of various wildlife habitats for animals, birds and reptiles. Protect your life at all costs by treating the wildlife and their environment with respect and appreciation.

Put trash where it belongs and keep our desert environment clean and pristine. What you take in with you please bring back, and deposit in a community garbage dumpster.

Thank you!

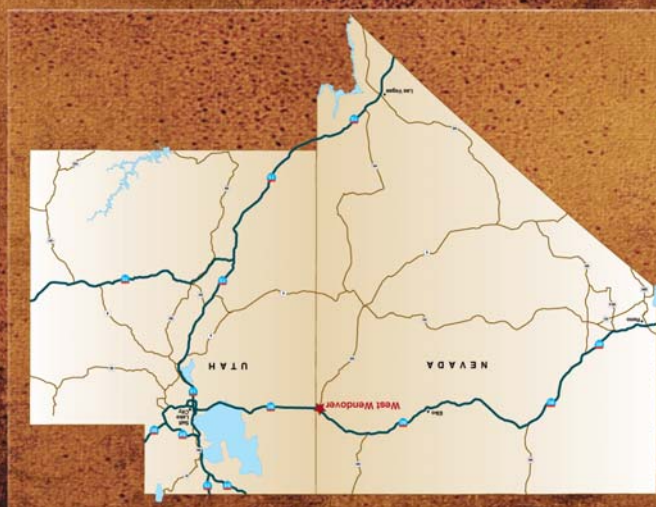
The off-road recreation trails from nine mile back to the western side of I-80 are extensive. With over 50 miles of trails to ride, there is beginner, intermediate and skilled trails all in sight or just over a hill of West Wendover. The trails consist of dirt/sand roads. You can ATV, 4-wheel, horseback, dirt bike, or enjoy mountain bike trails. You will find there is more than one way on and off each trail, so it will stay new and exciting each time you ride them. Just remember that you must stay on existing trails.

◆ Difficult with steep grades and/or rough terrain



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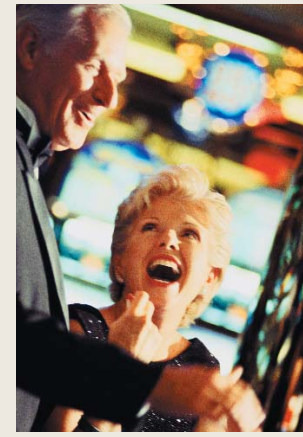
CITY AND TRAIL MAPS

WEST WENDOVER

Nevada

ON THE EDGE

WELCOME TO WEST WENDOVER, WE HAVE IT ALL.



Located just off Interstate 80 on the Nevada side of the Utah/Nevada border, 90 minutes west of Salt Lake City, West Wendover sits like a jewel of promise in the high desert that surrounds it. Here in this desert oasis visitors enjoy a "grown-up" city that has intentionally maintained its small-town charm – a community that offers business and employment opportunities, an excellent quality of life, education, recreation – all the advantages

civilization brings without the disadvantages of crowded urban living.

In our desert oasis you will enjoy great facilities, food, outdoor recreation and of course, the best in... **NEVADA STYLE ENTERTAINMENT!**

ATTRACTIONS GUIDE

THE CENTER FOR LAND USE INTERPRETATION



The Center for Land Use Interpretation has an exhibit space at Wendover, Utah. The space was the first of The Center's regional exhibit halls that collectively comprise the Land Use Museum Complex. The

Wendover Exhibit Hall is in a former army barracks at the old Wendover Airbase. The exhibit hall provides the region with a forum for addressing the area's landscape and land use issues, and is a display space for The Center's regional site extrapolation projects, as well as a gallery for other related work.

The structure, designated as airbase building number 2514, was singled out by the CLUI due to its location and its ideal configuration and appearance for use as a display space.

Alterations to the building, basically unused since the evacuation of the military in 1977, have been minimal. A hanging wall has been constructed down the middle of the structure for the display of two-dimensional media, and the rear of the building has been enclosed for use as curatorial space.

Since June 1, 1996, the hall has been open to the public. Though it is best to make arrangements to view the exhibit ahead of time by contacting The Center, CLUI representatives are sometimes at the building, and an automated entry system allows 24-hour access.

Directions: Travel east from the Welcome Center on Wendover Boulevard. Turn right on 100 East Street and head south crossing the railroad tracks. Turn left at the first main intersection and travel east approximately one mile until you reach the fenced barracks compound located on your right. Enter the compound through the open gates. The CLUI building is located on the east side just south of the large Mess Hall Buildings. Press the numerals 1 then 2 on the door keypad.

CURVATURE OF THE EARTH



Due to the nature of the Great Basin Desert and the large expanse of the flat area associated with the Bonneville Salt Flats, one can

actually ascertain the curvature of the earth when viewed from a specific location. The curvature is visible both day and night but is more predominant at night due to the lineal trail of headlights from vehicles traveling west on I-80.

Directions: Proceed west on Wendover Blvd. from the Welcome Center for 2 miles until reaching the crest of "Three Mile Mountain". There is a dirt turn off located adjacent to the water storage reservoir which will allow you to turn around. Once back on Wendover Blvd. head east just less than 100 feet and pull off. From here you can look east across the Bonneville Salt Flats and you will note the wrapping affect of Interstate 80 across the area. Interstate 80 was built level across the desert and what you are seeing is the visual effect of the actual curvature of our Earth.

TRANSCONTINENTAL TELEPHONE LINE



Today you can see a piece of great American History, which very few realize occurred here in West Wendover. It is the monument to the Transcontinental Telephone Connection. On June 17, 1914, AT&T erected the last pole of some 130,000 right here on the Utah/Nevada border. The telephone wires crossed more than 3,400 miles connecting the East and West Coast of the United States. This last splice, completed right here in West Wendover made possible for the first time ever, voice communications across our great country from the Atlantic to the Pacific.

The first call: Four locations participated in the first call. Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone and co-founder of AT&T, led a group of dignitaries in New York. His one-time assistant Thomas Watson, led a group in San Francisco. AT&T President Theodore Vail spoke from Jekyll Island, Georgia and U.S. President Woodrow Wilson spoke from the White House.

At one point during the call, someone asked Professor Bell if he would repeat the first words he ever said over the telephone. He obliged, picking up the phone and repeating, "Mr. Watson, come here, I want you." To which Watson, in San Francisco, replied, "It would take me a week now."

Directions: Head east on Wendover Boulevard a bit more than a 1/2 mile to the main entrance of the Montego Bay Casino & Resort on the north side of Wendover Boulevard. The Transcontinental Telephone Monument is located just south of the Montego Bay's building near the edge of the grass and trees.

TOANA VISTA GOLF COURSE



The Toana Vista Golf Course is located at the western edge of the City of West Wendover on Pueblo Boulevard. It is an 18-Hole Championship Golf Course and can prove to be quite a challenge. The facility includes a new clubhouse with snack bar and a pro shop headed by a PGA Pro. The facility also includes practice bunkers, driving range and putting greens. Course record is 65 Jimmy Blair (competition) and 64 Milan Swilor (regular). Prices range from \$25 to \$40 including cart.

Directions: Proceed west on Wendover Boulevard from the Welcome Center until reaching Pueblo Boulevard. Turn left on Pueblo Boulevard and continue west for 0.5 miles, the golf course will be on your left. 2319 Pueblo Boulevard. Phone: (775) 664-4300 or 1-800-832-4330.

WENDOVER WILL



Wendover Will is the world's tallest mechanical cowboy at 90 feet in height and containing a 1/4 mile of neon lighting tube. Wendover Will came into existence in 1952 when he took the place of a tall pole mounted light, which was erected in the mid 1920's by William "Bill" Smith, the original owner and founder of the State Line Cobblestone Service Station. This cobblestone service station welcomed weary travelers to the oasis of Wendover from the dry harsh conditions of the barren deserts of Western Utah and Eastern Nevada.

When gambling became legal in Nevada in the mid 1930's, that cobblestone service station grew and became the State Line Hotel & Casino, now the Wendover Nugget. This was a small and humble beginning to what you see in our community today, as we now boast five casinos, four of which are major casino resorts. Wendover Will was donated to the City of West Wendover by the Wendover Nugget in 2004 and the City relocated and placed him as the center monument to our new City Center/Downtown Area, given his importance to the history of our community. At his new location, he will continue to overlook the growth of our community for decades if not centuries to come while still welcoming all as "This Is The Place" "Where The West Begins".

HISTORIC WENDOVER AIRFIELD MUSEUM



Tour the former World War II bomber training base where 21 Heavy Bomber Groups trained to prepare for deployments overseas, including the 509th Composite Group (Enola Gay & Bock's Car) which trained for the first

and to date only atomic bombardment of one nation against another. See and touch a part of history by taking the self-guided tour through this historic airfield.

Directions: Travel east from the Welcome Center on Wendover Boulevard. Turn right on 100 East Street and head south crossing the railroad tracks. Look for the red and white checkered control tower and the operations building. This is where the museum is located.

509TH COMPOSITE GROUP WORLD WAR II MEMORIAL

"May this monument stand as a symbol of hope that mankind will reason and work together for the ultimate goal of world peace."



The 509th Composite Group, which was formed at Wendover Field in the fall of 1944 celebrated their 45th Reunion here in West

Wendover and constructed this World War II Memorial in honor of the mission and the sacrifices made for world peace. The 509th Composite Group including Colonel Paul W. Tibbets and his crews delivered the first and to date only atomic bombardments of one nation against another. The first mission was to Hiroshima, Japan on August 6, 1945, where the Enola Gay, piloted by Colonel Tibbets, dropped the first atomic bomb, which was termed a "Little Boy" design. The second mission on August 9, 1945, was the mission of Bock's Car piloted by Major Charles Sweeney, dropping the second atomic bomb, termed a "Fat Man" design, on Nagasaki, Japan. An interesting note of history is that the primary target of the 2nd mission Kokura, Japan, was too obscured by weather to drop the weapon safely and to ensure target accuracy by visual identification. As such, Major Sweeney chose the secondary target, Nagasaki.

As well, another interesting note and often times overlooked part of World War II history, is that Colonel Tibbets had chosen the B-29 (Necessary Evil) commanded by Captain George Marquardt to lead the third atomic bomb drop against Japan, scheduled for August 14, 1945, the primary target being the city of Hiroshima. This mission was never executed as Japan surrendered shortly after the Nagasaki Mission of August 9, 1945, and the third atomic bomb ("Fat Man" design), which was on its way to Tinian from Wendover was stopped at an airfield in California; the B-29 transport flight was subsequently ordered to return to Wendover and unload the third weapon due to Japan's surrender. From these first designs out of Wendover, the production of atomic weapons continued.

Directions: The monument is located in the eastern portion of the Welcome Center property.

FILM & PHOTOGRAPHY



The West Wendover area has been home to some of Hollywood's biggest blockbuster movies. Among many, you can see Will Smith in *Independence Day*

fighting back a bad brood of aliens or Nicolas Cage in *Con Air* taking flight and taking hits from some hard core criminals, all in the backyard of West Wendover. Countless commercials, prime-time programs and movies made for television have put in production time in our surrounding area.

By placing big city accommodations together with small town charm, West Wendover has provided the film industries with the ideal filming location, for movies about the past, present and future. The surrounding area has been a moviemaker's backdrop for decades including the areas associated with Wendover Field providing the only remaining intact and usable World War II hangar flight line in the United States which was used in the mid 1990's to film MGM's *Mulholland Falls* (shown in photo) which starred Nick Nolte, Melanie Griffith, Chazz Palminteri, Michael Madsen, Chris Penn, Treat Williams, Jennifer Connelly, Daniel Baldwin, Andrew McCarthy and John Malkovich.

Directions: Just east of West Wendover, the vast expanse of the Bonneville Salt Flats provides some of the best, to the lenses of both still and moving film, a vast white plain with high desert scenery and the backdrop of snow capped peaks. West Wendover keeps the film and photography industry coming back for more. Take your best shot!

RECREATION CENTER



The West Wendover Recreation District owns, maintains and operates in addition to the Toana Vista Golf Course the Robert F. Scobie Park, LaCombe Triune, which includes two ball fields and

two soccer/multi-purpose fields as well as the West Wendover Swimming Pool, Recreation Center and the Equestrian Park. The Olympic size swimming pool is available for play and for exercise. Young people can play video games, shoot hoops, play ping-pong, lift weights as well as get together in a wholesome club atmosphere. Tennis, soccer, baseball, volleyball can be played nearby as well as private or group picnics under a pavilion at Scobie Park and horseback riding is a favorite that can be enjoyed at the rodeo grounds/arena.

Directions: LaCombe Triune/Recreation Center/Swimming Pool. 1000 West Florence Way. Proceed west on Wendover Boulevard and turn left on Florence Way. Continue on Florence for approximately 0.25 miles the facilities are located on your right.

Equestrian Park: Proceed south on U.S. Highway 93A 1.5 miles and turn right on a dirt road which will take you to the rodeo grounds.

STATE BOUNDARY



Want to know what a state boundary looks like? Well, right between the Wendover Nugget Hotel & Casino and the Montego

Bay Casino & Resort you can find out. Here, you can see the line that separates our community into two states, two counties and two cities. You will notice the wide striping running north to south across Wendover Boulevard and the wording, which indicates which state you are in. An interesting note is that due to the state boundary, we have two of every government agency in our community: 2 states, 2 counties, 2 cities with 2 mayors, 2 city councils, 2 administrative and public works departments, 2 fire departments – wew! That's a lot of twos. And, 4 law enforcement agencies (2 city, 2 county sheriffs and 2 state highway patrols). In answer to your question – yes, we have one of the highest percentage ratios in the nation of police officers per 1,000 persons of population. In answer to your second question – yes, those law enforcement agencies work together through interlocal and interagency agreements, providing great protection of our citizens and visitors. So beware, if you are thinking of making trouble – Don't! This is one border that law enforcement agencies can and will cross!

Directions: Head east on Wendover Boulevard a bit more than a 1/2 mile to the main entrance of the Montego Bay Casino & Resort on the north side of Wendover Boulevard or the main entrance to the Wendover Nugget Hotel & Casino on the south side of Wendover Boulevard. Find a convenient parking place. This spot puts you directly on the Utah-Nevada state line, which separates our community. You will notice the striping and lettering on the boulevard indicating which state you are in.

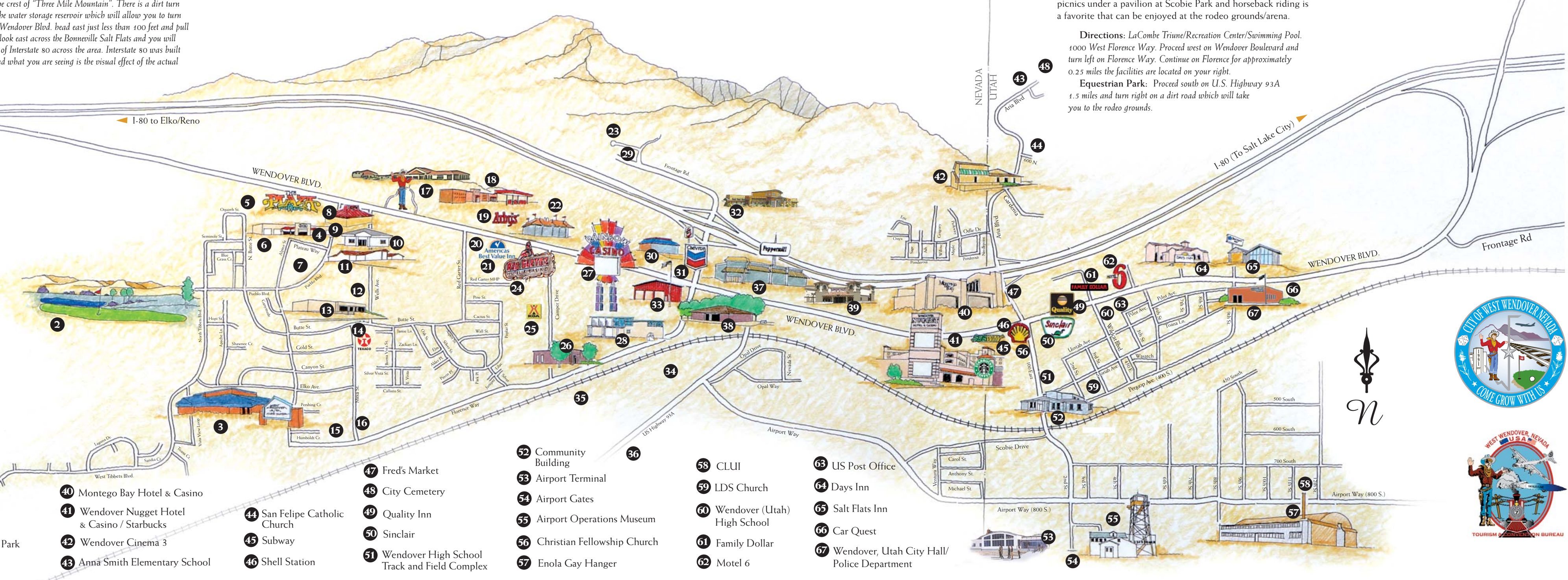
PEPPERMILL CONCERT HALL



This state-of-the-art concert hall is designed with Mediterranean-style architecture and luxurious seating for 1,000 people.

The schedule features top-name entertainment throughout the year.

- 1 Curvature of the Earth
- 2 Toana Vista Golf Course
- 3 West Wendover Jr./Sr. High School/Elementary School
- 4 Smith's Food & Drug
- 5 Plaza Shopping Center
- 6 Baptist Church
- 7 US Post Office
- 8 Pizza Hut
- 9 Hardware House
- 10 Nevada Bank & Trust
- 11 Health Clinic
- 12 Mini Mall
- 13 Wells Rural Electric Co.
- 14 Texaco Food Mart
- 15 Wendover Ambulance
- 16 Propane of Wendover
- 17 City Center, Wendover Will Victory Hwy. Monument West Wendover City Hall Police, and Courts
- 18 Pilot Travel Center
- 19 Arby's
- 20 Desert Discount Liquor
- 21 America's Best Value Inn
- 22 McDonalds
- 23 Leppy Hills Trail System (non-motorized hardpack)
- 24 Red Garter Hotel & Casino
- 25 KOA
- 26 City Library
- 27 Rainbow Hotel & Casino
- 28 City Rec Center (pool/sports complex)
- 29 NDOT Road Station
- 30 Burger King
- 31 Chevron
- 32 Rusty Palm
- 33 Fire Station
- 34 Industrial / Logistic Business Park
- 35 Rodeo Grounds
- 36 Compost & Reuse Facility
- 37 Peppermill Hotel & Casino
- 38 Welcome Center/Robert F. Scobie Park
- 39 Peppermill Concert Hall



- 40 Montego Bay Hotel & Casino
- 41 Wendover Nugget Hotel & Casino / Starbucks
- 42 Wendover Cinema 3
- 43 Anna Smith Elementary School

- 44 San Felipe Catholic Church
- 45 Subway
- 46 Shell Station
- 47 Fred's Market
- 48 City Cemetery
- 49 Quality Inn
- 50 Sinclair
- 51 Wendover High School Track and Field Complex

- 52 Community Building
- 53 Airport Terminal
- 54 Airport Gates
- 55 Airport Operations Museum
- 56 Christian Fellowship Church
- 57 Enola Gay Hanger

- 58 CLUI
- 59 LDS Church
- 60 Wendover (Utah) High School
- 61 Family Dollar
- 62 Motel 6

- 63 US Post Office
- 64 Days Inn
- 65 Salt Flats Inn
- 66 Car Quest
- 67 Wendover, Utah City Hall/ Police Department