# **Driving Directions**

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**BASE CAMP LOCATION:** 31°25.593'N 113° 28.194'W

31.4272444N 113.4697076W

KM 83 Highway 8 (50 miles south of Sonoyta)

**Google Maps Location** 

#### FIRST THINGS FIRST – SAFETY!!

The Mexico Tourism department provides an emergency road side service known as the Angeles Verdes (Green Angels). If you have car trouble, call 078 from your cell phone. If you can't make a call just open your car hood and wait as they make regular tours of the highway.

You can also reach us at any point by calling 602-315-0846 or 480-205-5725

#### **VEHICLE INSURANCE**

You must purchase Mexico vehicle insurance before you cross the border. This is the law in Mexico and your US vehicle insurance is not valid in Mexico. You can purchase insurance online or at several locations along the road before crossing the border into Mexico.

An additional option is to contact <u>kirkborg1@allstate.com</u> (623) 680-8909 and purchase a policy before leaving home.

### **IMPORTANT!! ENTERING BASE CAMP**

The 1MISSION base camp is located on the east side of a very busy highway. Therefore, to enter the base camp you will need to make a left turn off the highway. It is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT that you use extra precautions when making the turn in to base camp.

Other drivers travelling the highway may not be expecting vehicles to be making a left hand turn on this stretch of highway. Be sure to CAREFULLY CHECK YOUR REAR VIEW MIRROR to ensure that no one is overtaking you before making the left turn.



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### **CROSSING THE BORDER**

You will need to find your way to the border crossing at Lukeville, AZ.

As you approach the border crossing you may be stopped by US Border Patrol officials who may ask you a few easy to answer questions.

When you cross the border you may or may not be stopped by Mexican officials. There is a traffic control arm across the road and a small traffic signal on the left hand side. If you see the light turn green you just continue on unless an agent motions you to stop. If the light turns red an alarm will sound and you must stop for the agents. Usually they just do a quick check to see where you are going and they may want to inspect the contents of your vehicle. This is rarely more than a minor inconvenience. You may be asked to show ID and your vehicle registration.

After leaving the border crossing you will immediately enter into the town of Sonoyta. Continue for about 2 miles until you come to a major highway intersection. You will turn to the left onto Highway 2.

Within ¼ of a mile you will cross over a bridge and then you will see a sign indicating a turn to the right to Pte. Peñasco. Watch this video for a live view of what to expect.

Once you cross the bridge and merge right toward Puerto Peñasco on Highway 8, you will travel down the main street of Sonoyta for about 1 mile.

Be sure to watch the speed limits as they are strictly enforced.

Continue on Highway 8 all the way to the 1MISSION base camp. The base camp is at approximately kilometer marker 83 (about 50 miles.) The kilometer markers are small signs on the right hand side of the road. The base camp is on the left hand side of a very long, straight stretch of highway.



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