



2015 CALPA Conference and Training Workshops April 9-12, 2015 Borrego Springs, CA TRAVEL TIPS

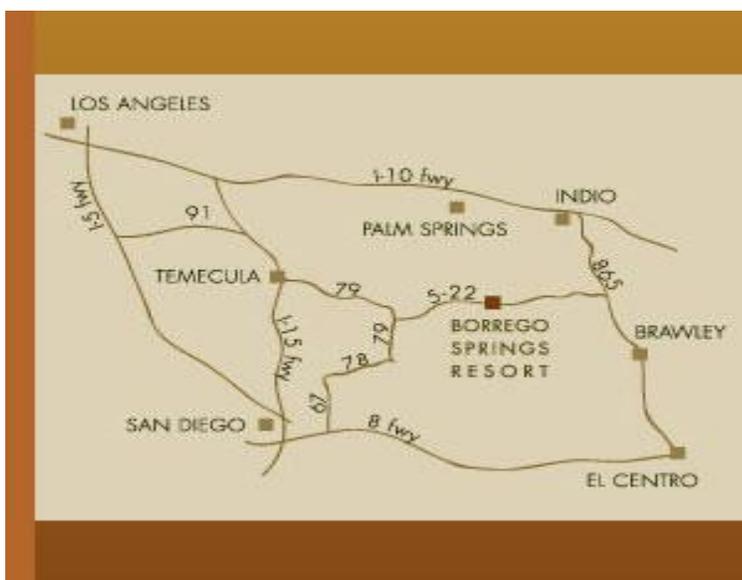
Thank you for participating in CALPA's 2015 Conference!
The following information is intended to help participants with their travel to and from Borrego Springs.

Conference Site:

Home for our conference is **Borrego Springs Resort & Spa** 1112 Tilting T Dr., Borrego Springs CA 92004. To contact the hotel call 888-826-7734 | 760-767-5700. <http://www.borregospringsresort.com/>

The Resort includes a golf course and Spa, and is about 5 miles from the ABDSP Visitor Center. The night skies are amazing, and with some luck the desert wildflower bloom will still be around in places. Our daytime desert temperatures are forecasted to be in the high 80s to low 90s with night time temperatures at in the low 50s. Sunscreen and sunglasses and a wide brimmed hat will be useful for the outdoor sessions in the desert. For the montaine sessions at CRSP, a jacket or windbreaker is recommended, as montaine weather can turn cold quickly.

There is no scheduled air service to Borrego Springs Airport. Air Travelers must use scheduled flights to LAX or San Diego or Palm Springs and then rent a car.



Note, while fuel is available in several backcountry communities and in Borrego Springs, don't count on a gas station being there every 5 miles or so like in the city. You may want to top off in SD or Temecula or Palm Springs.

Directions: Link to google maps for driving directions. If it doesn't click through, please copy/paste it into a browser window.

<https://www.google.com/maps/dir/>

From San Diego, about 2 hours, 90 miles:

Take I 8 east to Hwy 79 North. Turn left at the bottom of the off-ramp and go under the freeway, then follow the signs towards Julian. Pass through Cuyamaca Rancho SP and pass by Lake Cuyamaca. At the stop sign in Julian by the post office, turn right. Go down the mountain on Highway 78, and continue past the turnoffs at Scissors Crossing for Shelter Valley and San Felipe. Continue on 78 to Yaqui Pass Road, and turn left and go up the grade and over into Borrego Valley. Continue down into the valley, and curve left onto Rango Way. Curve right onto Borrego Valley Way, and then turn left onto Tilting T Drive. The turn off for 1112 is on the right.

Note, if you have time on the drive out the restaurant at Lake Cuyamaca is a nice place to eat, with the dining room and balcony facing the lake.

From Palm Springs, about 90 minutes:

Take the 10 Freeway East towards Indio to the CA-86 spur toward Brawley/El Centro. At Salton City turn right onto County-S22 and drive approximately 25 miles to stop sign, turn left onto Borrego Valley Road. Travel approximately 1 mile, making a right into Resort entrance on Tilting T Drive.

From LA, about 3 hours:

Take the 5 Freeway South to the CA-91 East towards Riverside and exit to the 15 South towards San Diego. Merge onto CA-79 South towards Indio and turn left onto CA-79. Turn left onto San Felipe Road/CR-S2, then left onto Montezuma Valley Road / CR-S22. Continue for 17.3 miles and turn right onto Palm Canyon Drive and proceed 1.4 miles to Christmas Circle, go halfway around the circle, making a right on Palm Canyon Drive. Travel approximately 2 miles, and make a right on Borrego Valley Road. Travel approximately 1 mile, making a right into Resort entrance on Tilting T Drive.

Note: A stop at the overlook on Montezuma grade road is a good way to get an amazing literal overview of the Borrego Valley.

Conference Activities:

Some sessions for the conference will be held at the Conference Hotel. Some will be at Ocotillo Wells SVRA and Cuyamaca Rancho SP. Please check with the front desk for the CALPA Conference Registration Area. Business casual attire is suggested for the conference sessions at the hotel and for the banquet.

The Conference Reception and some Fieldtrips/Tours will be held offsite at state park locations. Business casual attire is suggested for the conference receptions and casual attire is suggested for the Fieldtrips/Tours. Comfortable walking shoes are suggested for receptions and tours. A light jacket will probably be needed at night in both the desert and mountains, unless the weather is warmer than normal.

Borrego Springs Informational Web Sites:

<http://www.borregospringschamber.com/>

http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=638

<http://theabf.org/>

Cuyamaca and other Montaine Informational Web Sites:

<http://www.crspia.org/>

http://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=667

<http://www.julianca.com/about-julian.html>

Camping:

The closest state park camping is available at Anza Borrego Desert State Park™. Reservations can be made through Reserve America at 1-800-444-7275.

Shopping:

Downtown Borrego Springs is about 5 miles from the hotel. It has a grocery, a minimart, liquor store, and several gift and curio shops.