

Mormon Battalion, LDS Church San Bernardino Rest Camp Marker

East of Douglas, Cochise County, Arizona

TRAIL SEGMENT

2. Main Command

TRAIL DATE

2-3 Dec 1846

DEDICATION DATE

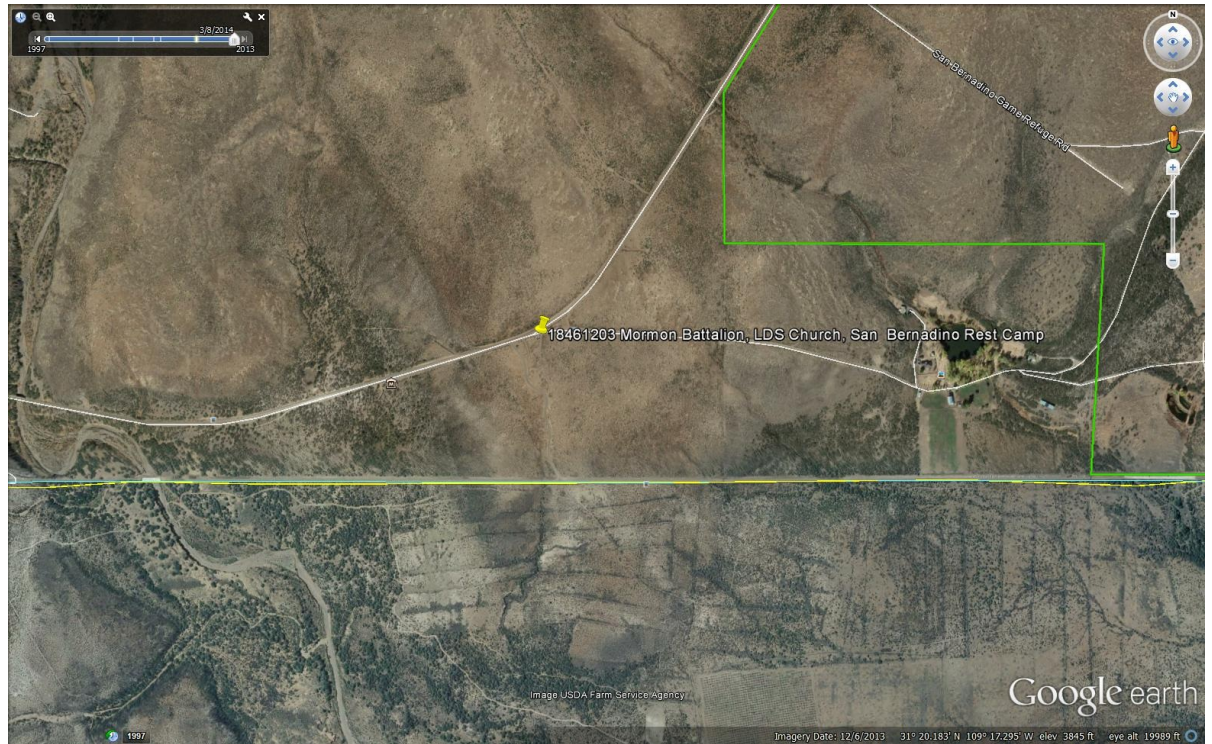
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GPS COORDINATES

31° 20.231' N

109° 17.399' W

WGS84



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by Bill Kirchner, 3 March 2010



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Description

Triangular white concrete marker with embedded slate plaque. The date in the inscription is incomplete. The 5 December 1846 date of encampment is incorrect. They actually rested and recuperated here from 2 through 3 December 1846. More recent research shows that the Mormon Battalion trail actually ran about ½ mile south of the United States-Mexico border in this area, and that they actually camped about 1.9 miles ESE of here, near the ruins of the ranch house of the San Bernardino Rancho, abandoned about 15 years earlier. That ranch straddled the current border, but the later Texas John Slaughter Ranch only included the part north of the border.



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Driving Directions

Travel 16 miles East of Douglas, Arizona, taking 15th Street to Airport Road, which becomes Geronimo Trail. The marker is located at the intersection of Geronimo Trail and East San Bernardino Road leading to the San Bernardino Ranch (aka the Texas John Slaughter Ranch), near the San Bernardino National Wildlife Refuge and just 0.2 mile north of the United States-Mexico border.

Inscription

Plaque 1 of 1.



MORMON
LDS CHURCH
BATTALION
SAN BERNARDINO
RANCH
REST CAMP
DEC 5, 1846
ERECTED 1960
BY TROOP 27

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History

Erected 1960 by the Willcox, Arizona, LDS Boy Scout Troop 27.

Credits

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