

BMGR-W Tour Opportunities

The Conservation Law Enforcement Officers of the BMGR-W make an effort to offer tours to the public, in order to educate and promote recreation safety. While exploring the BMGR-W, you may discover abandoned mines or other areas of interest and wonder at the story behind them. The conservation Law Enforcement team (CLEO's) offers tours, based on time and availability, to help you explore all the BMGR-W has to offer. Interest forms can be filled out and emailed to MCASYUMA_CLEO@usmc.mil.

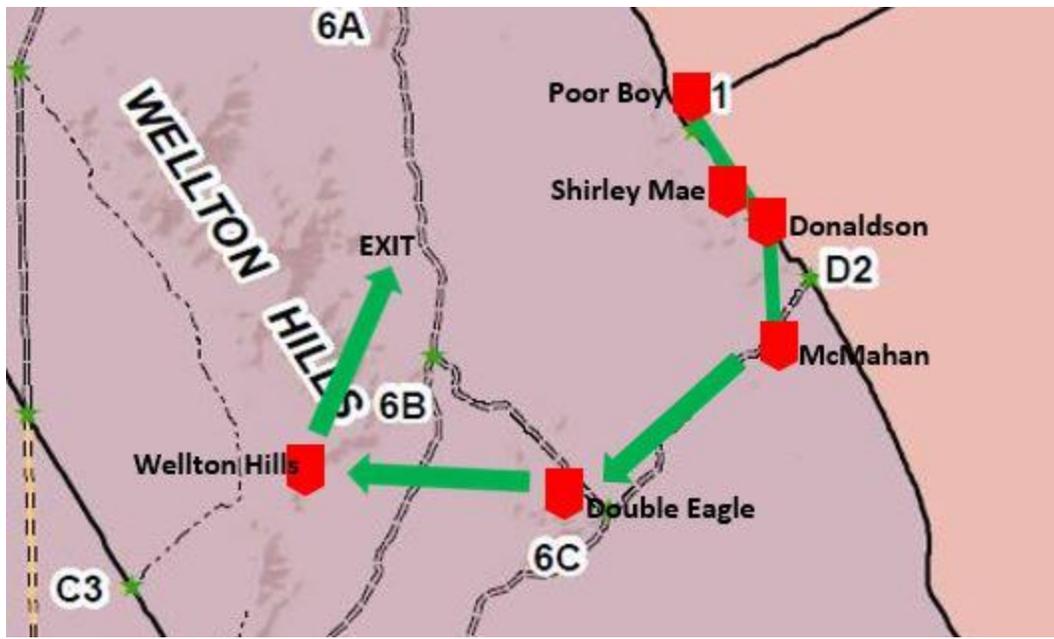
Fortuna Mine Interpretive Walking Trail



Fortuna Mine is an abandoned mining town and gold mine in the Gila Mountains. The mine is one of the stops on the historic El Camino del Diablo. Today, many ruins, old foundations, and gravesites dot the landscape around the mine. Fortuna Mine stands as a testament to the grueling conditions endured by the miners who lived and worked in this area over a hundred years ago.

A guided tour of the interpretive walking trail at the Fortuna mine is offered where Officers will discuss the history of the Fortuna Mine and gives details at points of interest. The trail is approximately 1.5 miles, and can usually be completed in two hours.

Wellton Hills Mine Tour



The Wellton Hills area was once a part of the La Posa Mining District, and as a result, the area is littered with old mines and prospects. Workings in these mines include mostly small, surface prospects and shallow mines, operated sporadically from the late 1800's, and a few minor gold placer operations.

This tour focuses on the six main mines in the area. This tour is vehicle based where Officers will lead a convoy of vehicles to each site and provide details about the area. This tour is approximately four hours. Four-wheel drive is required.

Hazard Area Safety Tour



The Hazard areas of the BMGR-W are strictly off limits to the public, however, our Officers offer limited tours of these restricted training areas to educate the public about the importance of these training areas to Marine Corps training, and why these live fire ranges are off limits to the general public. Some of the sites visited include the rifle range, aircraft training areas, and Yodaville. This tour is approximately three hours. Four-wheel drive is recommended.

Plane Crash Tour



Scattered throughout the BMGR-W, guests can see the remnants of training mishaps. This tour will take you to four sites on the range and provide some history about the events and crew involved. This tour is vehicle based where Officers will lead a convoy of vehicles to each site. This tour is an all-day excursion, and it is recommended that participants bring food and water. Four-wheel drive is required.