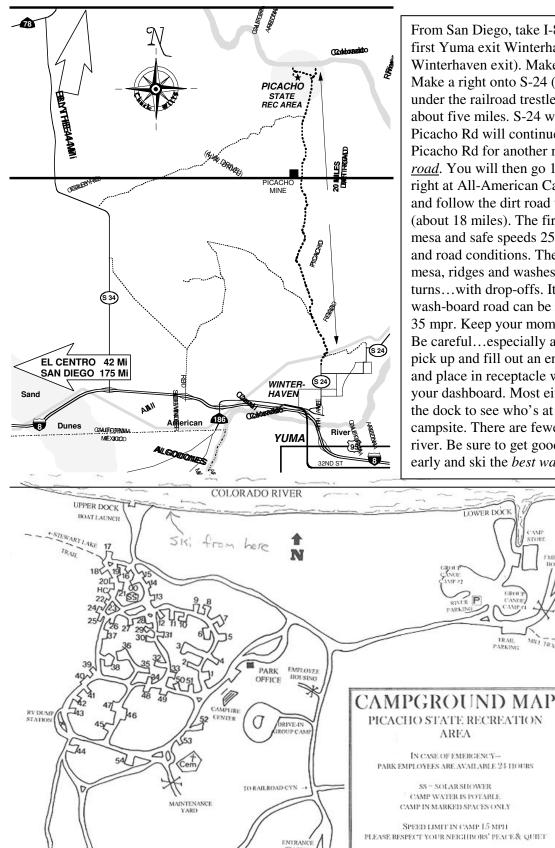
May 2010 **DIRECTIONS TO PICACHO STATE PARK**



From San Diego, take I-8 East about 160 miles to the first Yuma exit Winterhaven/4th (Not the first Winterhaven exit). Make a left and go about 3/4 mile. Make a right onto S-24 (Picacho Rd) and then a left under the railroad trestle. Follow S-24 (Picacho Rd), about five miles. S-24 will make a sharp right, but Picacho Rd will continue on. Go straight staying on Picacho Rd for another mile where it turns into a dirt road. You will then go 100 ft up a small hill and make a right at All-American Canal. Make a left over the canal, and follow the dirt road until you reach camp grounds (about 18 miles). The first half of the road is mostly mesa and safe speeds 25 - 55 mpr depending on vehicle and road conditions. The second half is a mixture of mesa, ridges and washes with a few dangerous sharp turns...with drop-offs. It's a beautiful drive, but the wash-board road can be rough and safe speeds are 15 -35 mpr. Keep your momentum up through sandy areas. Be careful...especially at night. At Picacho entrance, pick up and fill out an envelope, put in your camping fee and place in receptacle where posted. Put the stub on your dashboard. Most either find a campsite, or go to the dock to see who's at the bon-fire, and then find a campsite. There are fewer mosquitos away from the river. Be sure to get good sleep so you can wake up early and ski the best water in the morning.

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