

AIPG White Mesa Mountain Bike and Hike Field Trip

To: UNM, NMT, NM State geology students, teachers, students who like geology, mentors, family, friends of students to those interested in geology, mountain bikers, hikers, practicing geologists, and geologists interested in mentoring or learning something new about local geology.

Event: AIPG (American Institute of Professional Geologists New Mexico) field trip

When: October 30, 2021

What: Geology, mountain biking, hiking, BBQ and refreshments, at White Mesa

Announcement: AIPG (New Mexico) would like to become more active in an on-going, industry-student mentorship program. We plan to offer and host a field trip to White Mesa in San Ysidro, New Mexico. The field trip will begin with a brief welcome and orientation including complimentary morning coffee and burritos. Green chile cheeseburgers, chips, beans and refreshments, will be grilled and available after the hike for a late lunch. There will be UNM students and alumni at various locations along the White Mesa trail giving brief geologic poster presentations. Mountain biking, hiking, photography, and geologic discussions are encouraged! Anyone interested in geology, have a friend that is interested in geology, or geologist, active or retired, are welcome and encouraged to attend. Please RSVP to (dancravens007@gmail.com), with your name, email, and number of attendees, so we can get a general head count. Reference White Mesa NM-AIPG, so it doesn't get lost. RSVP is not critical for attendance. White Mesa trailhead is an hour Northwest on highway 550 from Albuquerque. NMT students and others are already planning on camping out in the area, the night before.

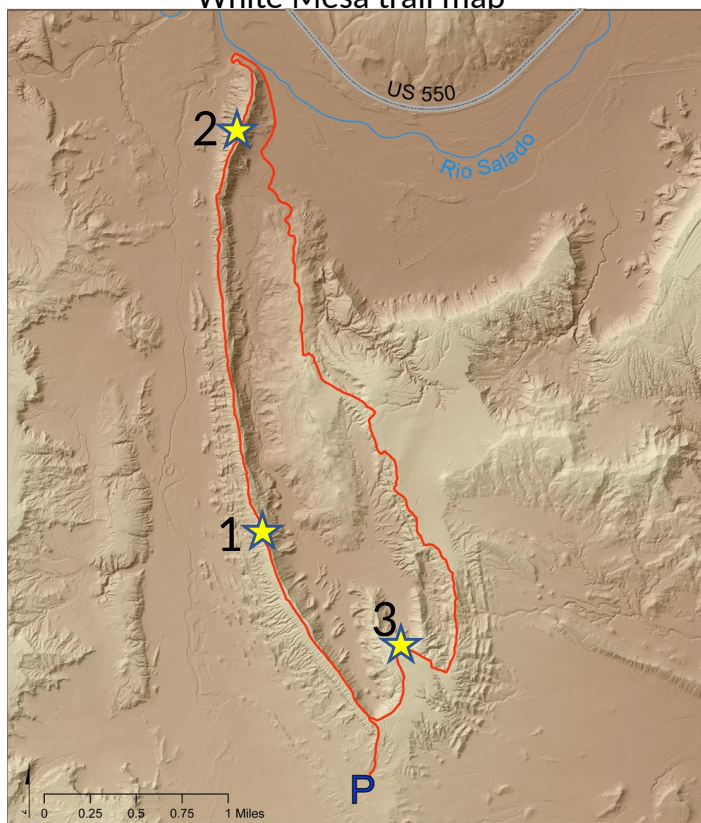
A short poster presentation will be given at three different locations along the trail. Presentations will be given on the hour from 11:00 - 2:00, so that hikers and mountain bikers, can stop and listen to various presentations at their leisure. Hike round trip is ~3+ hours total and Mountain bike ride round trip is ~1 ½ hours total.

9:00 - 10:00 am Arrive at White Mesa parking lot (see map) Burritos and coffee, orientation and introduction, then walk or mountain bike to first session.

11:00 - 2:00, poster presentations on the hour, mtn bike, and hiking.

3:00 pm - whenever (see attached map), Green chile cheeseburgers, beer, and chips, will be ready at the parking lot as you return. Bring a camping chair and sit around and spend time relaxing with each other at the trail head at the end.

White Mesa trail map



Driving directions from Albuquerque



Trail in red. Stars represent presentation spots for poster presentations. Parking lot and trail head labeled "P".

Drive from Albuquerque: 44.6 Miles (~ 1 hour)