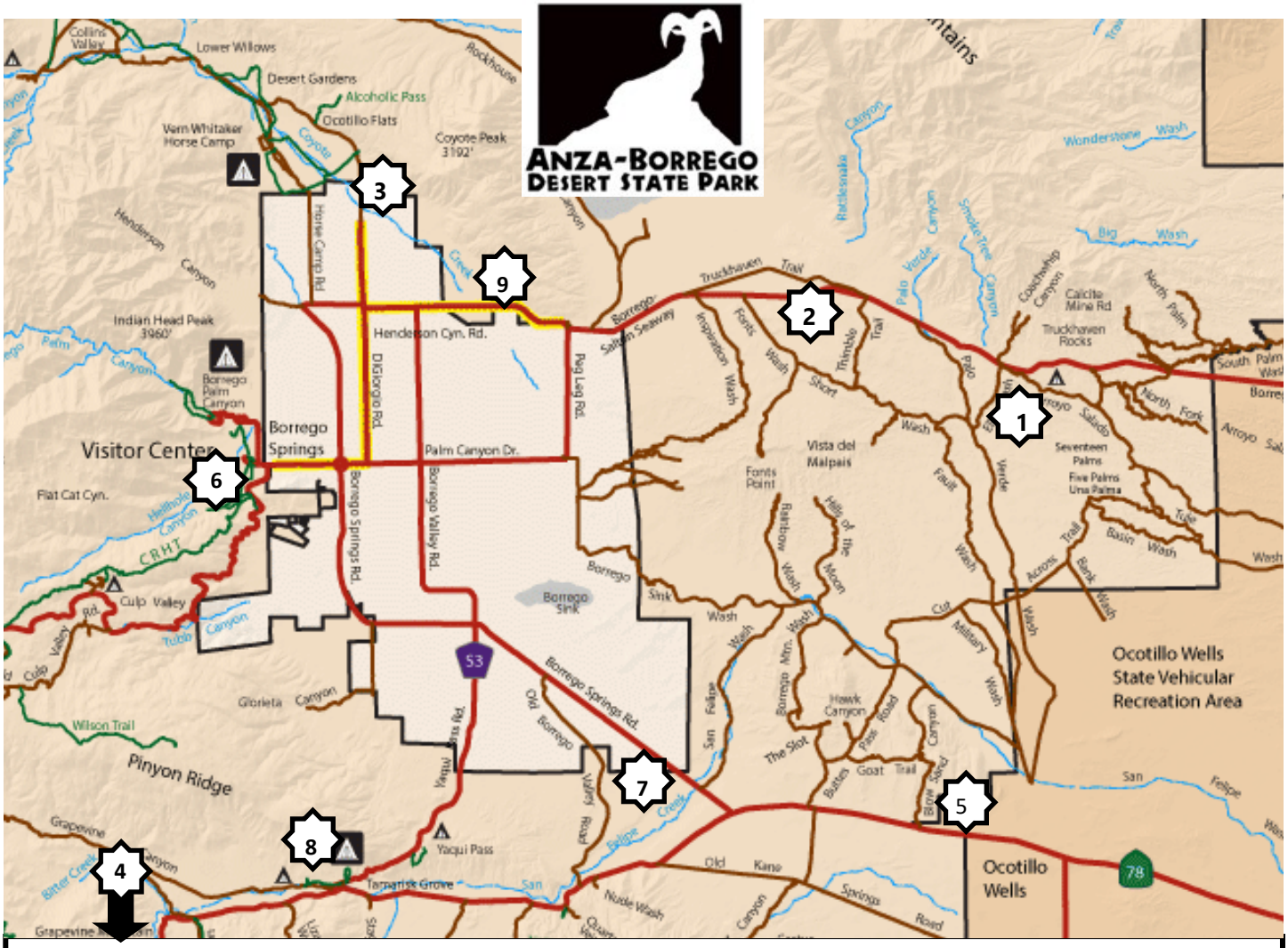

Park Wildflower Update: 3/15/19

1. **Borrego Badlands:** Park off Highway S-22 (just west of mm 35); walk into Coachwhip Canyon or Arroyo Salado Primitive Camp. Vehicles with high clearance can drive 1/8 mile to restroom.
2. **S-22 Roadsides:** Purple sand verbena is blooming north of Highway S-22, near Mile Marker 31.
3. **Coyote Canyon (entrance):** The dirt road into Coyote Canyon requires high-clearance 4WD due to recent flooding. Fields of desert dandelions line DiGiorgio Rd! You can park at the north end of DiGiorgio Rd. then walk out into fields of flowers to the east. **Please Respect Private Property!**
4. **June Wash: Not shown on this map.** Flowers are fading, but still a nice walk. Park near mile marker 42 on Highway S-2 and walk up the wash. Try also Carrizo Badlands Overlook at mm 52.
5. **Ocotillo Wells SVRA:** Good flowers if you have 4WD. Start at Disc. Ctr, near mm 91 on Hwy 78.
6. **Visitor Center area:** Nice flowers all around the Visitor Center, along the paved trail to the campground, in Hellhole and Little Surprise Canyons, and along the Borrego Palm Canyon Trail.
7. **Texas Dip:** Great display of poppies on south-facing hillsides above San Felipe Wash (just north of Hwy 78). 2WD vehicles should park on the pavement along Borrego Springs Road.
8. **Tamarisk Grove:** Yellow poppies and belly flowers are blooming along the Cactus Loop Trail.
9. **Henderson Canyon Rd:** Dune Evening Primrose and Sand Verbena; Sunflowers are still in bud.

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Enjoy and Protect our Wildflower Bloom

Enjoy the Bloom Safely:

- Bring water and food. Drink water frequently. Don't save it for later.
- Wear sunscreen, a hat and layers, the weather can change quickly.
- Wear closed-toed shoes, the desert can be "pokey".
- Stay on two-wheel drive roads unless you have a high clearance, four-wheel drive vehicle.

Share the Bloom:

- Take photos and share them **#anzaborrego.** Drones are not allowed in the Park.
- Please do not pick the flowers, leave them for all visitors to experience.

Protect the Bloom:

- Tread lightly and stay on trails. Be careful not to walk on the blooms.
- Pack it in and pack it out, take your trash with you.
- Dogs are allowed ***only*** on Park roads and ***must*** be on a 6 foot leash at all times.

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Getting to the Flowers: Flowers are blooming in many areas around the Park. Most of these places require high clearance and/or four-wheel drive capacity. Don't have a four-wheel drive vehicle? Here are a few ways you can plan your trip to have a safe and quality experience in the Park viewing wildflower blooms.

Bike It: Rent a mountain bike or e-bike for a day or half day. You can even take a fully guided e-bike tour, creating an easy reach for riders with varying levels of fitness and cycling experience. Get out and see the Park by bike! **Call 760-767-4255**

Overland It: Book a private desert tour with our friends at California Overland. Get way out, beyond the most visited areas, to not only see wildflowers but some of the most incredible resources of Anza-Borrego Desert State Park. **Call 760-767-1232**

Thank you for visiting Anza-Borrego Desert State Park.

We hope you enjoy your time here and come back again soon!