



# Mexico Road Logs & Driving Guides

Piedras Negras to Puerto Vallarta



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## Welcome - Bienvenidos

Thank you for purchasing our Mexico Road Logs and Driving Guides. We are confident that it will make your driving experience just that much better and easier.

Regardless of whether you are driving an RV or a suburban, a bike or a pick-up, the Mexico Road Logs and Driving Guides will assist your journey. Even 20 year veterans of the route have benefited from the information.

The KM markings are the markings that you will see as you drive. It doesn't matter if your vehicle reads in miles or kilometers. You just read the signs on the road to get your bearings. Sometimes one highway combines with another and old kilometer signs are left up. Not to worry, just continue to read the guide.

Some of the best navigation points are the Pemex Station numbers clearly marked on all gas station signs. Topes (Mexican speed bumps) are marked in the in the guide just to remind you to go slow.

We have included Military and Agriculture check points even though we know these can change frequently. (Generally they are on one side of the border or another between the Mexican states.)

This is the fourth edition. We hope to continually improve the guides to ensure road conditions are well noted before you hit the border. Conditions change, new roads are built, construction starts, ends and old "landmarks" are torn down.

Please write us at [editor@ontheroadin.com](mailto:editor@ontheroadin.com) if you have found some new information or problems with the log.

Adios and Happy Trails,



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## FROM OUR READERS

*"Valuable, up-to-date information that saves headaches on the road and makes sense to drivers and their navigators. Great work."*

**Ken Stokes**

*"This is the second year we have used Bill and Dots 'On the Road In' Mexican logs for travel on the coast and interior of Mexico.*

*They are easy to use, save a lot of indecision and more than a lot of arguments as to where one should turn or where there is a Pemex large enough for a large rig with a tow. We appreciate all the work they have done to make traveling in Mexico a great and easy adventure."*

**Bill and Char Wilkerson**

*"We were thrilled to be able to contemplate our next stops and fill-ups along the way. It was like we were driving with experienced guides every step of the way."*

*"Bravo"*

**Pat and John Briar**

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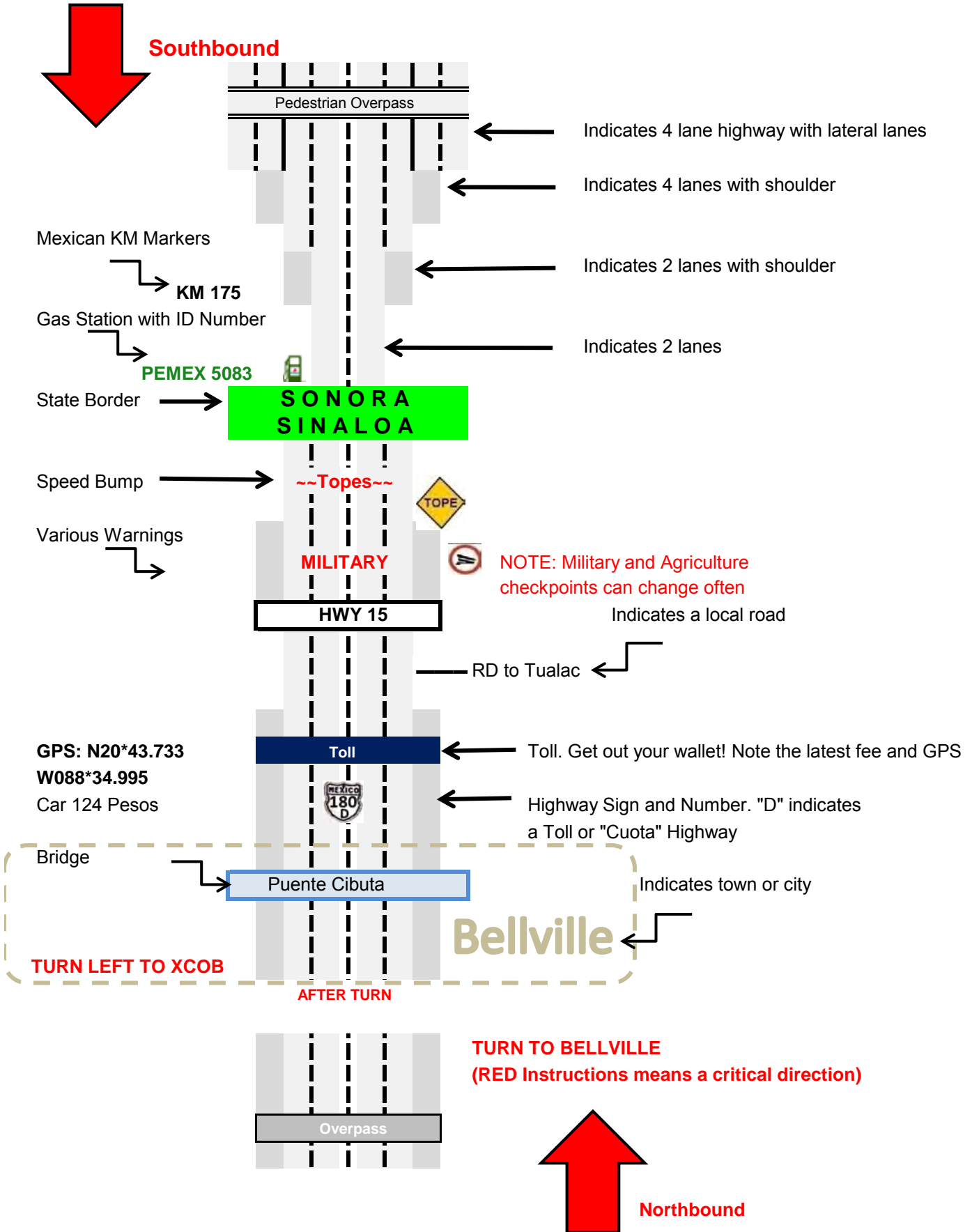
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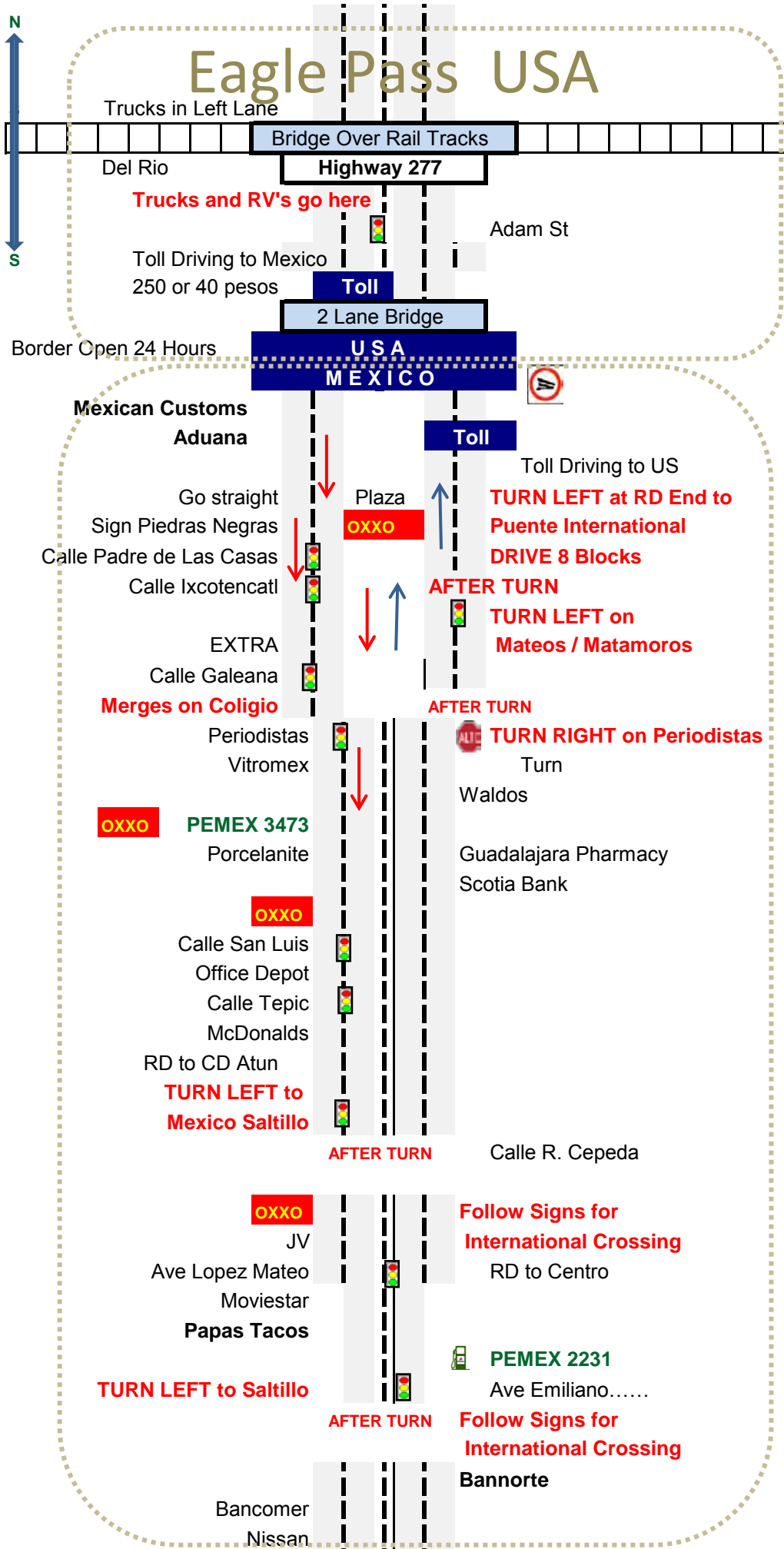
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# How to Use the Road Log





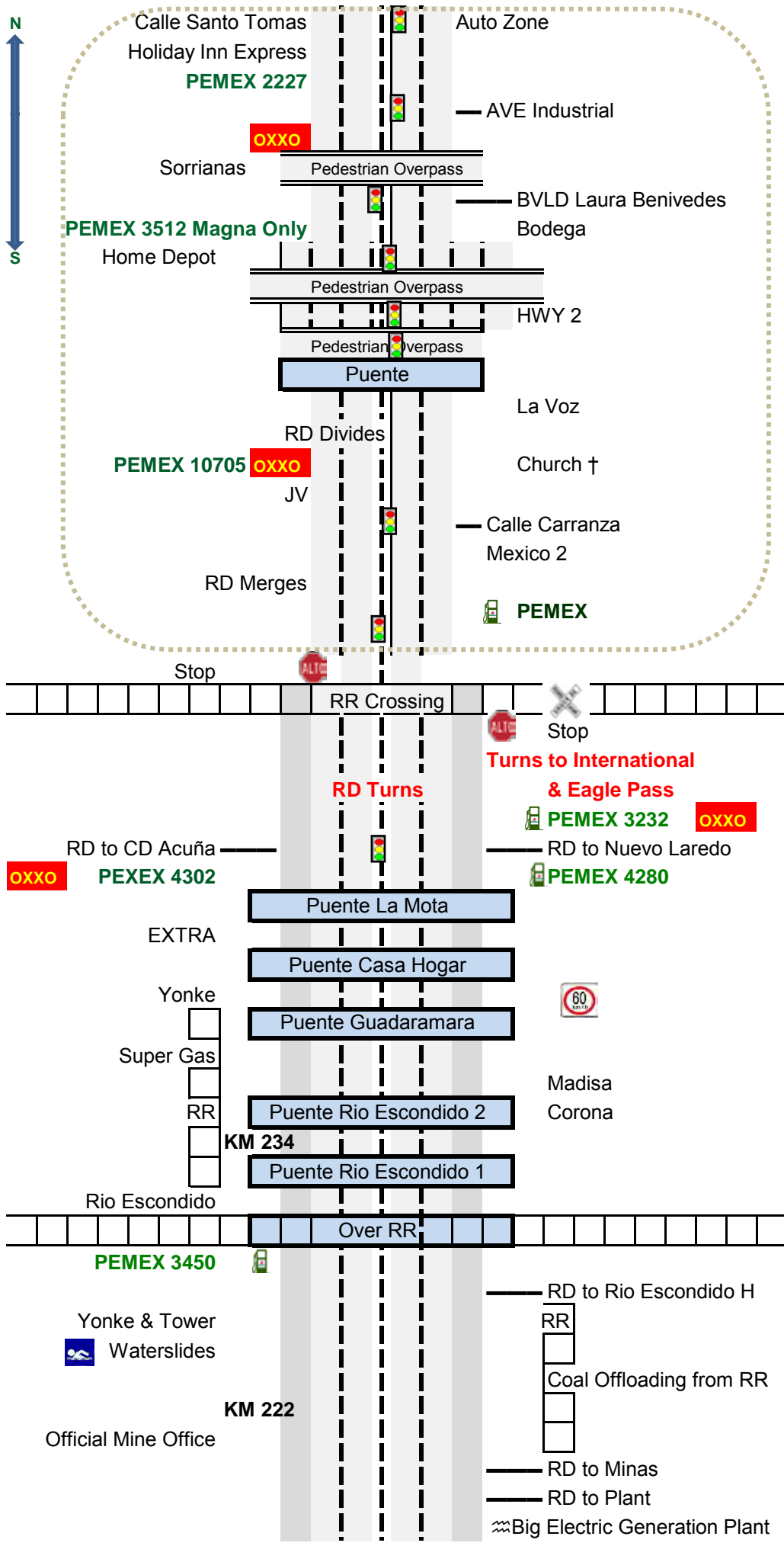
### Piedras Negras "Black Stones"

Originally named Nueva Villa de Herrera in 1850, it was later on it would be renamed Villa de Piedras Negras. Coal was discovered in the region in 1881 and a railway soon followed. The city was renamed Ciudad Porfirio Díaz. After Diaz fell, the city reverted to Piedras Negras. Piedras Negras has over 200,000 people and is quickly growing into one of the largest cities in the state. The economy is fueled by exports to the US from local factories. Capital of the State of Coahuila, the modern city of Saltillo boasts a population of 650,000.



### US Abroad in Mexico

US citizens in Mexico represent 1% of the Mexican population. It is home to the largest number of US



**Nachos**

The International Day of the Nacho takes place every October 21. It was initiated in the 1990s in the United States and Mexico to commemorate the invention of nachos by Ignacio Nacho Anaya in 1943 at El Moderno Restaurant in the border town of Piedras Negras, Coahuila. A festival is also held between October 13 and 15 and holds the biggest nacho of the world contest and is recorded of course with the Guinness Book of World Records.

**Railway Crossings**



It is probably good advice to tell you to stop solidly at each Railway Crossings. Yes we know....the Mexicans don't stop.

**You should.**  
 If there is a crooked cop anywhere in the vicinity, you can bet that they are staking out the Railway crossing waiting for a tourist to pass by and ignore the stop signs like the rest of the traffic does.  
**BUT NO.**  
 To avoid a hassle, mordita or at the very least a fine, make sure you stop.