

Directions to the Rio Mora National Wildlife Refuge:

Approximately 25 miles, 40 minutes driving time from Las Vegas.

From Las Vegas: Travel north on Interstate 25, (towards Wagon Mound and Raton) about 15 miles.

Exit at Watrous/Valmora Exit 364 (the first exit for Watrous coming from Las Vegas)

Turn left at the stop sign (going under the interstate) away from Watrous on NM Highway 161. Blind spot so please be careful.

The mile markers are in descending order, the Refuge entrance gate (white) is at mile marker 16 on the north side of the highway, approximately 5 miles west of the interstate at Watrous.

From Mora: Travel south on Highway 518 to Buena Vista, then turn left to Highway 161.

The mile markers are in ascending order, the Refuge entrance gate (white) is at mile marker 16 on the north side of the highway.

The headquarters area/education center is approximately 1 mile from the entrance, past the corrals, at the bottom of the canyon-please drive slowly as you descend into the canyon.

The office phone number is 505-425-1819.

