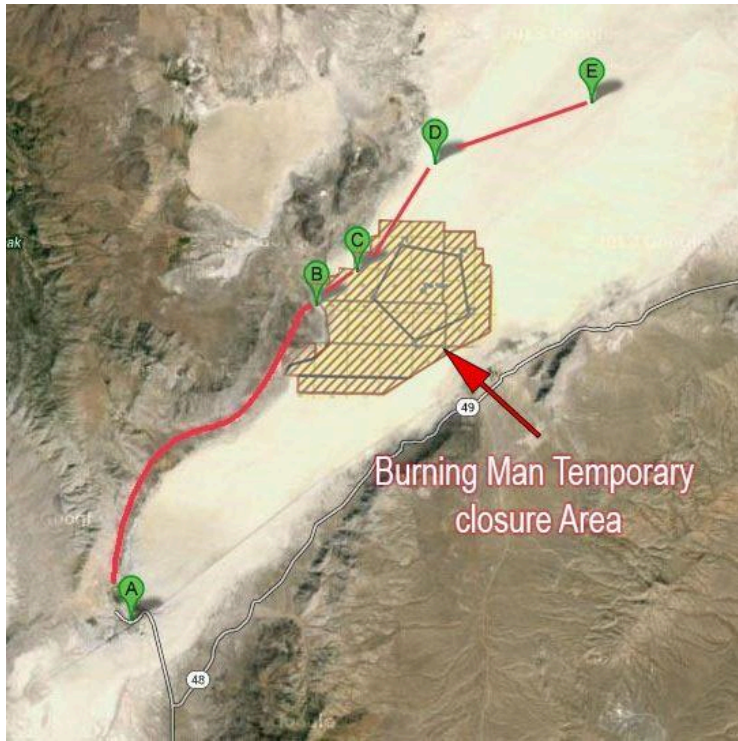


# Finding the [Aeropac.org](http://Aeropac.org) Black Rock launch site

- BLM requires that all attendees coming out to the launch, to follow the designated path (as outlined below.)
- The speed limit along the Burning Man setup area is 20 MPH. Go slow.
- It's a good idea to carry some sort of rocketry ID like an Aeropac membership card (or NAR/Triopoli).



The directions below assume you first get to Gerlach NV, USA.

(A) Gerlach NV - [40 39.127'N 119 21.363'W](#) There is a small store in Empire, about 6 miles before Gerlach. Use Google maps or other navigation to get here first. After this use NV country road 34 to get to the 12 mile Playa entrance.

(B) 12 MI Entrance - [40 46.334'N 119 15.756'W](#)  
This is the best entrance to use to get to the site. Drive straight in and to the NE. There is a bumpy intersection that goes to the Burning Man site, do NOT turn right! The speed limit is 20 MPH for safety and to keep the dust down. The road will go about 1 mile in and start a gentle bend to the NNE. This takes us to the next way-point 1.4mi in.

(C) West Road Bend - [40 47.108'N 119 14.524'W](#)  
This is the center of the bend more to the NNE. After this it will straighten out and you drive up to the next point 3.5 mi NE.

(D) Turn East to launch site - [40 49.572'N 119 12.167'W](#)

\*This is supposed to be at the location where the double pylon marker is in the road, and the tire. At this point we drive about to the NE 4.4 miles directly to the Aeropac location.

(E) Aeropac Launch Site - [40 52.241'N 119 6.417'W \( 40°52'14.5"N 119°06'25.0"W \)](#)

**Considerations:** The last cheap gas is available at the I80 truck stops, Love's & Pilot, at exit #43 Wadsworth / Pyramid Lake. There is a Walmart in Fernley as well.

**BE CAREFUL ABOUT YOUR SPEED** when going through all these little towns (Wadsworth, Nixon, Empire, Gerlach) - they are notorious speed traps. If in doubt of what the speed limit is, just slow down. If you can see homes and buildings near the road then you're most likely in a slower speed zone.

## Driving on the Playa

- Be careful if you are coming in after dark or in poor visibility. It is advisable to find a quiet spot to wait or even camp for the night rather than getting lost on the playa or risking collision with someone camping.
- When you get to where you can see the launch site encampment, do not head directly in. Drive in on the downwind side so that you won't cover everyone in a big cloud of dust with your arrival. Nobody likes to breathe your dust, slow down to 5mph for the last ½ mile into the camp.
- Take care going off of the marked road. Some years the playa becomes a real lake and it doesn't always dry up before we go to use it. Getting towed out of the mud is very expensive. If you do go off on your own to explore, make sure there's someone who knows where you are and can raise the alarm if you don't come back.