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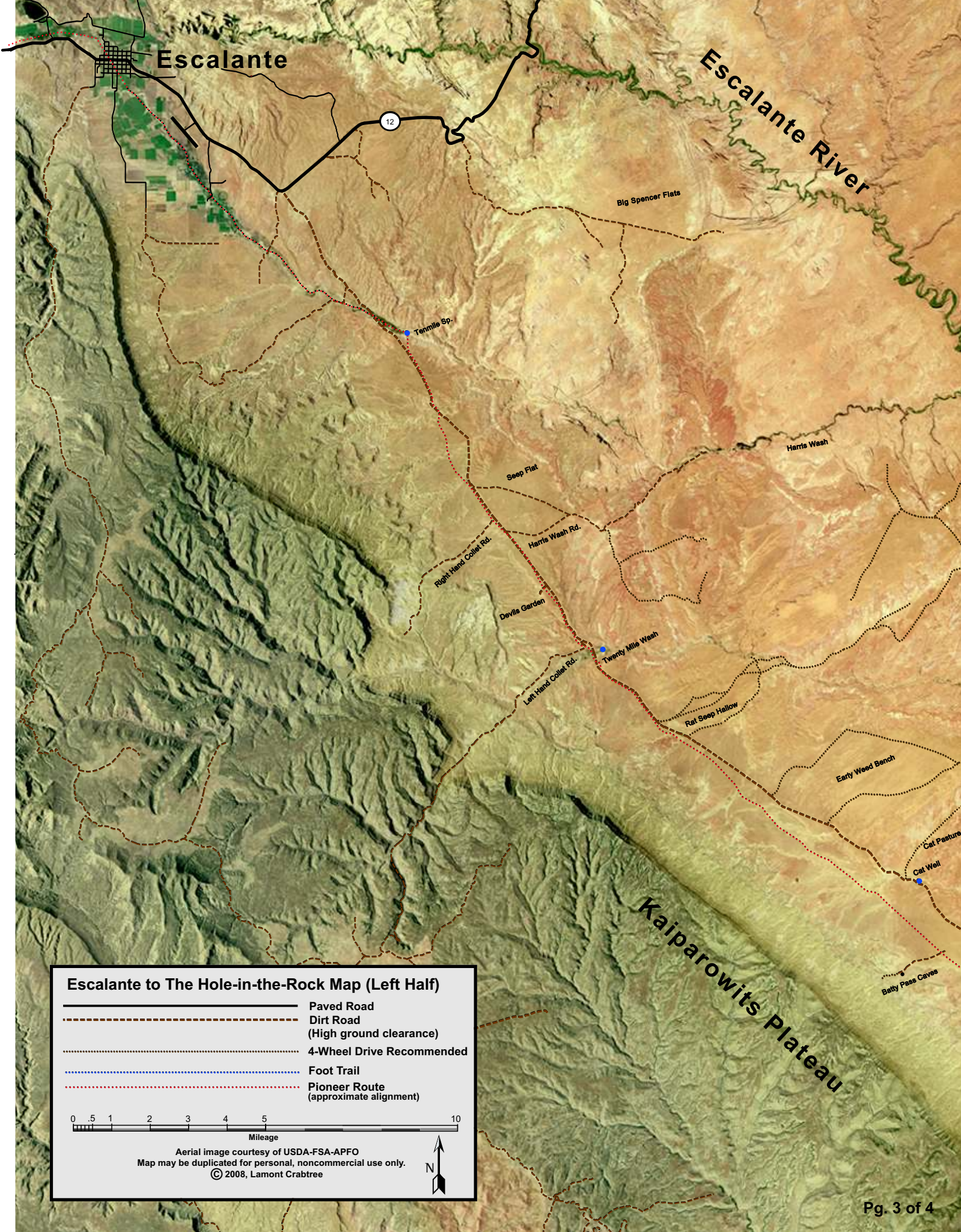
The Hole-in-the-Rock Trail is best known for the crevice (called the Hole-in-the-Rock) in the west wall of the Colorado River gorge, which Mormon pioneers widened to make a wagon road in 1879/1880. This map provides basic information on the pioneer's route between Escalante and the Hole-in-the-Rock crevice. Best wishes on your adventure. --Lamont Crabtree

### **Guidelines!!!**

**For your safety, please study and follow these guidelines:**

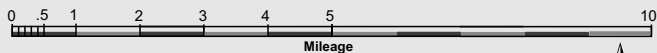
1. Please check in with the BLM/Park Service Golden Staircase National Monument Visitors Center located in Escalante before venturing out on the road. The staff in the visitors center can provide the latest information on road conditions.
2. Overnight camping permits can be obtained from the BLM/Park Service in Escalante at the visitors center.
3. The road to Dance Hall Rock is generally well maintained; however, the road can be very washboardy and rough in places. Good ground clearance and good tires are recommended. The road beyond Fiftymile Point can be very rough in places. Four-wheel drive is recommended between Fiftymile Point and the Hole-in-the-Rock!
4. Always leave a detailed itinerary with a responsible party.
5. Hot!!! Temperatures during summer months can exceed 100 degrees. It is common to underestimate the amount of water needed. Take much more water than you think you will need!
6. Emergency Communications! Cell towers are located on Navajo Mountain. Cell service is typically available whenever you can see the top of Navajo Mountain.
7. Please stay on established roads. In many places, the established roads deviate from the original pioneer trail. These portions of the pioneer trail can only be explored on foot or on horseback. All motorized vehicles must stay on the established roads.
8. As of 2024 severe erosion has made it very difficult to climb or descend the upper portion of the Hole-in-the-Rock. It has become essential to have a companion hiker so that you can boost or pull each other up the worst spots. For those driving to the Hole-in-the-Rock, bringing an expandable ladder is very helpful at the worst spots near the top of the crevice. **WARNING: Do not descend the Hole-in-the Rock crevice unless you are sure you can get back up.**





### Escalante to The Hole-in-the-Rock Map (Left Half)

- Paved Road
- Dirt Road  
(High ground clearance)
- 4-Wheel Drive Recommended
- Foot Trail
- Pioneer Route  
(approximate alignment)

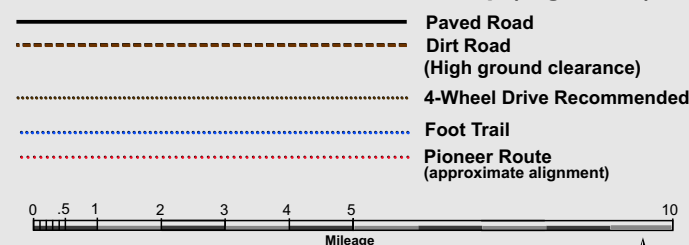


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Twenty Mile Wash

Escalante River

Boole Canyon

Cat Pasture

Peek-a-boo  
Spooky

Brimstone

Dry Fork

Betty Pass Caves

Coyote Hole Sp.

Upton Seep

Coyote Gulch

Red Well

Chimney Rock

Hurricane Wash

Willow Tank

Fortymile Ridge Rd.

Dance Hall Rock

Fortymile Sp.

Fortymile Gulch

Carson Wash

Cottonwood Sp.

Willow Gulch

Fiftymile Creek

Davis Gulch

Clean Creek

Indian Creek

Kaiparowits Plateau

Fiftymile Bench

Soda Sp.

Fiftymile Sp.

Fiftymile Point

Jackass Bench

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