



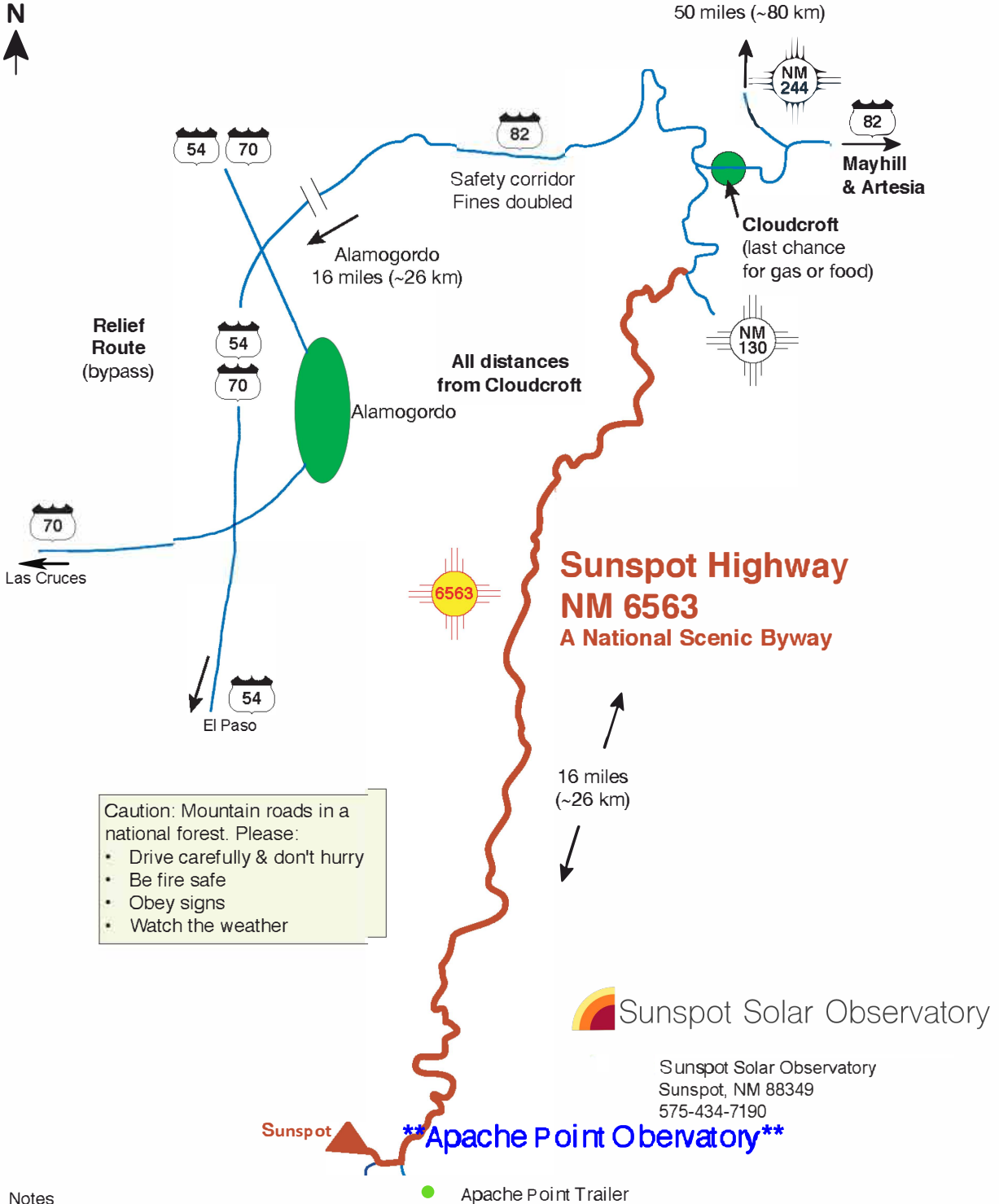
Sunspot Solar Observatory  
 Sunspot, NM 88349  
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**Notes**

- Simplified highway map. Not all curves or highways shown.
- Approximate driving times: Alamogordo, 1 hour; Las Cruces or El Paso, 2 hours; Albuquerque, 4 hours; Tucson, AZ, 6 hours.
- US Border Patrol maintains checkpoints on US 54 and US 70, south and west of Alamogordo.
- US 54, 70, and 380 are sometimes closed for 1-2 hours by operations at White Sands Missile Range. For information call: Las Cruces, 575-678-1178; Alamogordo, 575-443-7199; Socorro, 575-835-8899.

# Driving to the Sunspot Solar Observatory at Sunspot, NM

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## Notes

- Simplified map. Not all curves or roads shown.
- Approximate driving times: Alamogordo to Cloudcroft, 30 minutes; Cloudcroft to Sunspot, 30 minutes.
- US 82 between Alamogordo and Cloudcroft is a Safety Corridor with fines doubled.
- Watch for rocks and (in winter) black ice on Sunspot Highway.
- Allow an extra 30 minutes or so to stop at scenic overlooks at mountain tunnel on the way up from Alamogordo, railroad trestle just before Cloudcroft, and after mile marker 1 on the Sunspot Highway.
- Your GPS may suggest Karr Canyon Road, but you should **ignore it**; that road is rough and closed in winter.