GEOLOGY 365

Field trip to southern California

Wednesday January 30

- The airport bus will pick us up at the Mudd loading dock at 3:00 pm. We will depart by 3:20. Don't be late. (If you have a 5A, drop your gear off in the geology labs earlier in the day.)
- Be sure to have your **DRIVER'S LICENSE**.
- We will check out luggage to students with cooking gear packed. There will be room in each bag for students to pack gear into each bag. There will be some extra group luggage like coolers, so try to be helpful getting it from the bus to the checkin etc.
- We will have pizza upon arrival in Palm Springs, but that will be an 11 pm dinner our time. Bring snacks accordingly, and note that there is not necessarily time in Phoenix to purchase food.
- Here are your flight details:

USAir to Phoenix (depart 5:55 pm, arrive 8:22 pm) USAir to Palm Springs (depart 9:01 pm, arrive 9:10 pm).

• Because of the late arrival, we will be staying in a motel near the airport.

Thursday January 31

- Eat breakfast at the motel.
- Drive to the field area (~1 hours) and work for the rest of the day.
- Dinner in Indio. We may need to shop for groceries at night.
- Sleep for four nights at campground along Salton Sea. NOTE: The campground has quiet hours that should be obeyed.

Friday, Saturday, Sunday

• Continue to work in the field area and eating as follows: breakfast at campground, bring lunch in the field, dinner in Indio. The pattern is different on Sunday evening, when we will eat in the campground.

Monday February 4

- We pack up in the morning and do some geology in the late morning. We will be able to see a little geology on the way.
- You are on your own for dinner this night; it seems that there will be **some** time to find food at **Palm Springs** airport.
- The flight details are:

Sun Country to Minneapolis (depart 5:15 pm, arrive 10:27 pm)

- The bus will pick us up at the airport estimated arrival in Northfield at 12:00 am.
- There is no class the following morning, but we will meet for lab.

Some contact numbers

Sarah: 507.581.3295 Jon: 612-913-6077 Amanda: 218-368-2672

Things to bring with you

Camping gear

Sleeping bag (it looks like it'll get into the 40s at night)

Sleeping pad

Tent (we will bring department tents but may need you to put them in your luggage)

Towel

Flashlight/headlamp – everyone needs one.

Clothing things

Sturdy shoes (they don't have to be boots, but you cannot go in the field with sandals)

Layers of clothing including warm clothes – the desert can be cold at night

Hat for sun

Hat for warmth (possibly gloves)

Rain coat (probably won't rain but you never know)

Daily gear for geology

Water bottle

Hand lens

Field notebook

Pencils and colored pencils

Protractor (the see-through red kind)

Backpack

Other

Toiletries

Any important medicine, glasses, contact etc.

Sunscreen

Money (you are responsible for two dinners)

Cell phone

Camera