STATION DESCRIPTION

NETWORK:Benito
STATION CODE: **SMOK**
STAMPING:SMOKER 1962
TYPE:Disk
CENTER MARK:
COORDINATES: 36.53734°N, 120.99943°W
36°32’14.4"
120°59’58.0"

COUNTY:SAN BENITO
QUAD:LLANADA, CA
SET BY:USCGS
PID:GU3554

GENERAL LOCATION:

Is about 20-1/2 miles SE of Paicines Jct, 5-1/2 miles ENE of San Benito and 10-3/4 miles N of Bitter Water Jct, on the divide between Moody Canyon and the head of Smoker Canyon on land owned by Pat Frusetta.

TO-REACH ROUTE DESCRIPTION:

Beginning at Hwy 25 intersection, take turnoff to San Benito Jct (Hernandez Road on CSAA Map), continue 2.7 miles to turnout left (Sign: "Taylor Ranch, Pivetti Ranch"). Take turnout, continue 0.35 mi to house and barn, take right, go 0.30 mi to Pivetti Ranch Turnout (ask permission to proceed from Mr. Pivetti). Take track left, continue uphill 1.35 miles to wooden water tank on left, then 0.50 mi downhill to side road right. Take side road steeply uphill 1.05 mi to wire gate right, at end of newly- bladed track. Go through wire gate, join new track, take left, continue 1.4 miles to fence line ahead on left. Cross field to fence, follow left along fence line to wire gate at tree (about 0.1 mi). Go through wire gate, turn right onto new track, continue past pond on right, uphill 2.4 miles to crest of steep hill just beyond an earth dam. End of truck travel. Pack 25 minutes: Up field on right to ridge, along cattle track along ridge to station, clear except about halfway must select path carefully through brushy area, keeping ridge path ahead in sight. In Aug. 98 found the steep uphill road after 0.50 mile downhill was undriveable and had been unrepaired for years.

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ACCESS NOTES (KEYS etc):

Station owner: Contact Dale Tackit at (408) (or 831) 389-4392 at ?? Ranch.
Gate owner: Same.

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION:

Difficult tight landing. Tail rotor bush clearance.

REFERENCE MARKS:

Name	Distance (m)	Azimuth (deg)
SMOKER RM 1	8.248	56.03
SMOKER RM 2	11.094	220.17

Dockter 1998 notes: Road washed out; helicopter only.