By Stage to the Terminus of the Southern Pacific Railroad

Postal Route
Apache Pass, Arizona Territory
Camp Bowie, Arizona Territory
   Sulphur Springs
   Cienega, A.T.
   Tucson, A.T.
   Picacho Station
   BlueWater Station
Terminus, A.T. (near Casa Grande)
Southern Pacific Railroad west
Postal Route distance approximately 180 miles

November 9, 1879
Apache Pass, Arizona Territory
Postmark Pitzer-Meyer Type 3
Postmark Census 1 of 3 known
Latest known type 3 postmark

Construction of the eastbound Southern Pacific Railroad had just passed the town of Casa Grande in November 1879. The travelling Post Office, Terminus, offered a point of entry to the new railroad postal route west.

Apache Pass mail via Camp Bowie was routed to Terminus under postal route contract held by The Southern Pacific Mail Line.

Phoenix Herald newspaper November 14, 1879