How to Send Mail from the New Gold Diggings at Placerita Camp

Postal Route
Old Grizzly Placerita Camp
Antelope Valley, Arizona Territory
Skull Valley A.T. 18 miles
Prescott, Arizona Territory 18 miles
Chino A.T 23 miles
Ash Fork, Arizona Territory 35 miles
New Mexico border 229 miles
Postal Route distance 323 miles

February 4, 1887
Antelope Valley, Arizona Territory
Postmark Pitzer-Meyer Type 2
Postmark Census 1 of 10 known

The Placerita Gold Diggings were discovered and claimed by A.J. ‘Old Grizzly’ Callen circa 1886. The nearest Post Office, located approximately 8 miles away at Antelope Valley, allowed trice weekly mails to Prescott or Wickenburg.

Placerita Camp postal route by foot, mule or horse to Antelope Valley Post Office. Stagecoach from Antelope Valley via Prescott to Ash Fork, thence eastbound on Atlantic & Pacific Railroad mail coach to Santa Fe, New Mexico Territory.