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Remarkable.



Not a single bullet hole.

Today we rode *Quebradas Scenic Byway* to Arroyo del Tajo. Quebradas is a dirt track between Socorro and San Antonio, NM, that runs through BLM land and offers access to several arroyos for hiking. It is designated *scenic* by a government marketing person in Roswell who has never left the city except by UFO.



Quebradas is a Spanish word that translates to "The Breaks". We're not sure if that refers to some geological feature or if it's intentional irony. As in ha ha those are the breaks. We lean toward the latter.

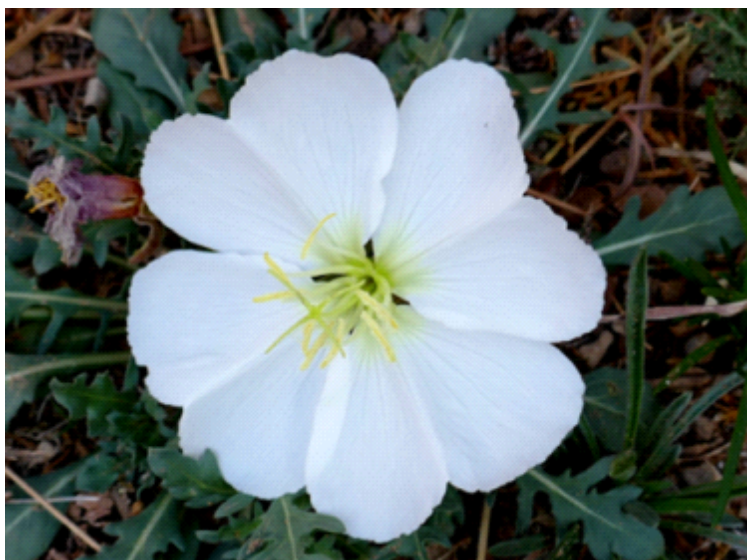


We found the trailhead, it was clearly identified by a wide space in the road. We dropped down into the drainage ditch (that's why they call them arroyos), and found a huge culvert to the east. We went west.

The clouds were scenic.



The flower was scenic (note deliberate use of the singular form).



The arroyo? Not so much.



Abruptly we came to a bob wahr fence. What the heck?
Guess we went the wrong way. Did a 180.

Through the tunnel.



Uh oh. Box canyon. Um, box arroyo.



We left Arroyo del Tajo.
We left Quebradas Scenic Byway.

Lunch at nearby Bosque del Apache...





We just take it as it comes.

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