

## FAVORITE LOCAL TRAILS AROUND THE BODIE HILLS

In the Bodie Hills north of Mono Lake and east of the town of Bridgeport, dirt roads weave through sage-covered hills dotted with pinyon and juniper trees. Deep within sits “America’s best preserved ghost town,” Bodie, a state historic park that includes a museum and visitor center. Due to sensitive species and habitat, all vehicles must remain on the road at ALL times.



### **Trail Name: Bodie Road (Highway 270)**

Trail Type: All Vehicles

Length: 12.5 mi

Description:

Bodie Road, also known as Highway 270, is located 7 miles south of the town of Bridgeport, directly off US 395. The first 10.4 miles of Bodie Road are paved while the last section is graded dirt. This road may be bumpy, but is passable for 2-wheel drive vehicles. The road weaves through the starkly beautiful sage brush shrub of the Bodie Hills.

### **Trail Name: Cottonwood Canyon Road**

Trail Type: All Vehicles

Length: 18.3 mi

Description:

Cottonwood Canyon offers an alternative, back entrance into the ghost town of Bodie. From Bridgeport, travel 18.6 miles south on US 395, heading down Conway Summit and into the Mono Basin. Turn left on Highway 167, which runs along the north/northeast shore of Mono Lake. Drive 7.1 miles down Highway 167, and turn left onto a well-signed paved road, Cottonwood Canyon. After an additional 3.3 miles, the pavement ends and graded dirt begins. It soon enters a canyon, following Cottonwood Creek. This road is passable in 2 wheel drive, but will be bumpy. Additional storm activity can also change road conditions.

### **Trail Name: Aurora Canyon Road**

Trail Type: Off-Highway Vehicles

Length: 16.7 mi

Description:

Aurora Canyon offers a more rugged and back way approach to Bodie State Historic Park. This ungraded dirt road picks up off Highway 182, just east of Bridgeport Reservoir, and is well-signed. While most of it is passable in a 2-wheel drive vehicle, sections are scattered with protruding rocks and water drainage trenches. Expect rainfall to worsen road conditions. This road snakes and weaves through the Bodie Hills and provides amazing views of Potato Peak and the Bridgeport Valley below.



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