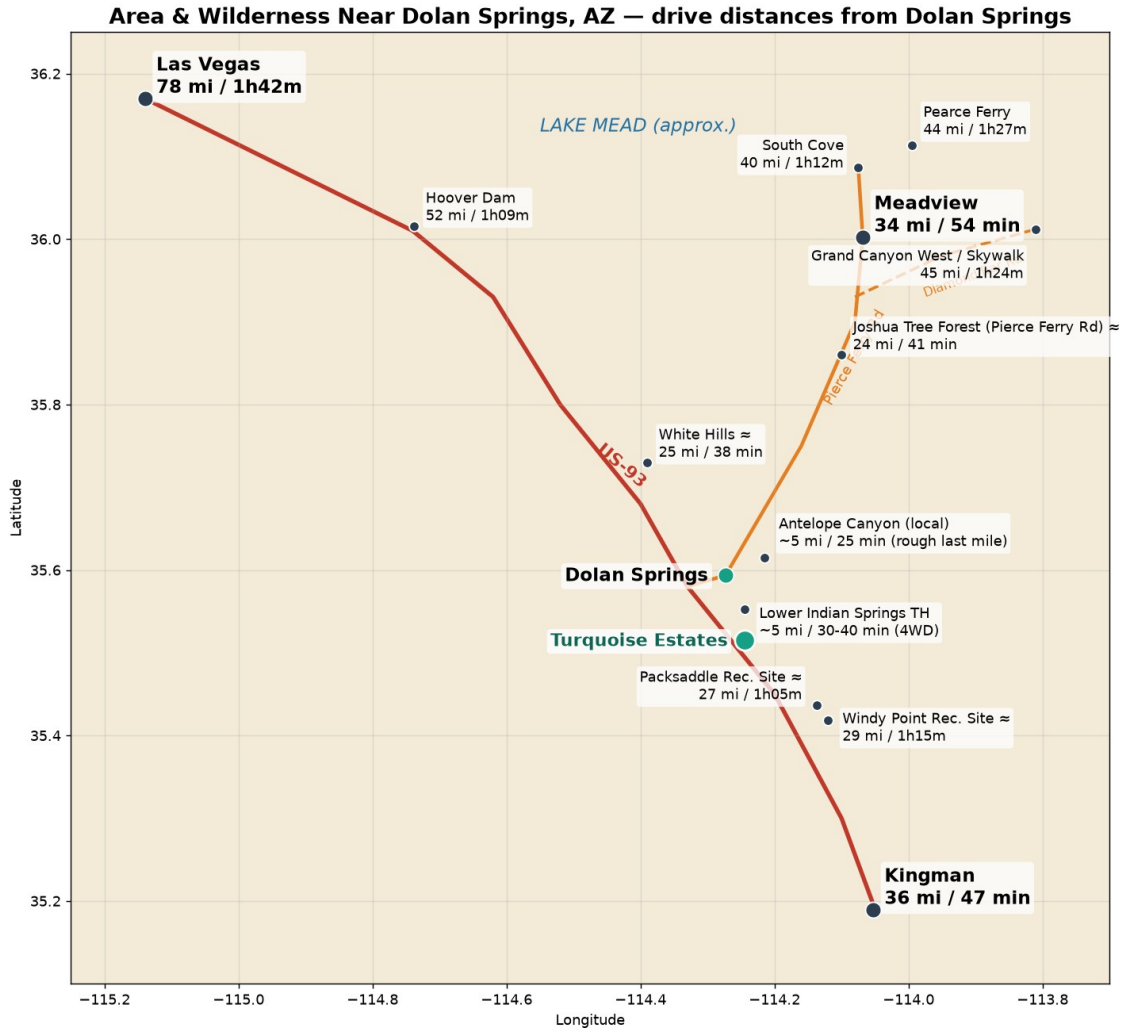
Area & Wilderness Near Dolan Springs

Prepared Oct 20, 2026 for the Turquoise Estates website (section 06). Distances are drive distances from Dolan Springs (OSRM routing on OpenStreetMap data unless marked estimate). Verify road conditions before travel; many trailheads need high clearance.



Drive distance/time: OSRM routing (OpenStreetMap data), 2026-10-20. Packsaddle/Windy Point = estimate from BLM directions (US-93 + 9–11 mi unpaved Big Wash Rd; high clearance).
'≈' marks an approximate location. Roads simplified. Map data © OpenStreetMap contributors (routing). Not for navigation.

Cerbat Mountains & Mount Tipton Wilderness

The Cerbat range rises right behind Dolan Springs; Mount Tipton (7,148 ft) anchors a 30,760-acre BLM wilderness of pinnacles, Joshua trees and pinyon.

From Dolan Springs: Wilderness edge is ~5 mi from town (4WD access)

Official / info link: https://www.blm.gov/visit/mount-tipton-wilderness



Cerbat Pinnacles in the Mount Tipton Wilderness, Cerbat Mountains (BLM). Photo: BLMArizona, Public domain.

Lower & Upper Indian Springs Trail

BLM trail into the Mount Tipton Wilderness from the Indian Springs trailhead (US-93 > Pierce Ferry Rd > 5th St). BLM and the Dolan Springs Trails Association replaced the Lower Indian Spring kiosk on Oct 17, 2026. No dedicated trail photo found; photo shows the wilderness it enters.

From Dolan Springs: ~5 mi; high-clearance 4WD recommended

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Rugged slopes of the Mount Tipton Wilderness, Cerbat Mountains (BLM). Photo: BLMArizona, Public domain.

Antelope Canyon (Dolan Springs) & Pine Canyon

Local BLM canyons just east of town (NOT the slot canyon near Page, AZ): a ~1-mile cross-country descent into pines and rock formations. Pine Canyon is adjacent and known for wild mustangs. No licensed photo found.

From Dolan Springs: ~5 mi; rough last mile

Official / info link: https://www.dolanspringstrails.com/maps.htm

Packsaddle & Windy Point campgrounds

BLM sites on the Cerbat crest at ~6,000 ft in pinyon-juniper, 9–11 mi up unpaved Big Wash Rd. Packsaddle is free; Windy Point is $8/night. No water; Cherum Peak Trail nearby.

From Dolan Springs: ~27–29 mi / about 1 h 05–1 h 15 (estimate)

Official / info link: https://www.blm.gov/visit/packsaddle-recreation-site



Windy Point Recreation Site campsite on the Cerbat crest (BLM, 2006). Photo: BLMArizona, Public domain.

Joshua Tree Forest – Pierce Ferry Rd

One of the densest Joshua tree forests anywhere lines Pierce Ferry Rd between Dolan Springs and Meadview, below the Grand Wash Cliffs.

From Dolan Springs: 24 mi / about 41 min (approx. point)

Official / info link: https://www.nps.gov/places/south-cove.htm



Joshua tree forest in the Meadview / Dolan Springs area (NPS). Photo: Andrew Cattoir (Lake Mead National Recreation Area), Public domain.

Grand Wash Cliffs

The sheer western edge of the Colorado Plateau; the backdrop to Meadview and the Joshua forest.

From Dolan Springs: Visible along Pierce Ferry Rd

Official / info link: https://www.blm.gov/visit/grand-wash-cliffs-wilderness



Grand Wash Cliffs. Photo: Chris M Morris, CC BY 2.0.

Meadview

Small lakeside community at the end of the paved road, gateway to the upper Lake Mead / lower Grand Canyon area.

From Dolan Springs: 34 mi / about 54 min

Official / info link: https://www.nps.gov/places/south-cove.htm



Aerial view of Pearce Ferry and upper Lake Mead; Meadview subdivisions lower right. Photo: Doc Searls, CC BY 2.0.

South Cove & Pearce Ferry (Lake Mead NRA)

South Cove has a picnic area and quiet coves along the shoreline (the launch ramp is currently closed; check NPS for status); Pearce Ferry, past it, is where the Colorado River leaves the Grand Canyon (with the Pearce Ferry rapid).

From Dolan Springs: South Cove 40 mi / about 1 h 12 min; Pearce Ferry 44 mi / about 1 h 27 min

Official / info link: https://www.nps.gov/places/south-cove.htm



A quiet cove at South Cove, Lake Mead NRA (NPS). Photo: Andrew Cattoir (Lake Mead National Recreation Area), Public domain.

Grand Canyon West / Skywalk

Hualapai Tribe's West Rim: glass Skywalk over the canyon, Eagle Point and Guano Point. Tickets required.

From Dolan Springs: 45 mi / about 1 h 24 min

Official / info link: https://grandcanyonwest.com/



Raven on the rim at Grand Canyon West, near the Skywalk (Hualapai Reservation). Photo: Matteo Paganelli matteopaga, CC0.

White Hills & Detrital Valley

Open desert valley west of Dolan Springs along US-93. No licsensed photo of White Hills itself; photo shows Detrital Valley from Mount Tipton.

From Dolan Springs: 25 mi / about 38 min (approx.)

Official / info link: https://www.mohave.gov/



Detrital Valley seen from Mount Tipton, west of Dolan Springs. Photo: Chris M Morris, CC BY 2.0.

Dark night skies

Few lights for miles; Milky Way and comets are routinely visible. Photos: Lake Mead (NPS) and Parashant NM (BLM, a different, distant dark-sky area, shown for illustration).

From Dolan Springs: Right overhead

Official / info link: https://www.nps.gov/lake/index.htm



Comet NEOWISE over Lake Mead before sunrise (NPS, 2020). Photo: Andrew Cattoir (Lake Mead National Recreation Area), Public domain.

Hoover Dam & Las Vegas

Hoover Dam and the bypass bridge on US-93; Las Vegas airport, shopping and medical beyond.

From Dolan Springs: Hoover Dam 52 mi / about 1 h 9 min; Las Vegas 78 mi / about 1 h 42 min

Official / info link: https://www.usbr.gov/lc/hooverdam/



Hoover Dam and the Mike O'Callaghan-Pat Tillman bypass bridge. Photo: Central Federal Lands Highway Division, Public domain.

Kingman

County seat with services, Route 66 and the BLM Cerbat Foothills trails.

From Dolan Springs: 36 mi / about 47 min

Official / info link: https://www.blm.gov/visit/cerbat-foothills-recreation-area-cfra



Cerbat Foothills Recreation Area near Kingman (BLM). Photo: BLMArizona, Public domain.

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