

## Updates V2

### VOLUME 2 UPDATES:

As of 2010:

MKSQ - From Mike's to the Observatory pavement (by way of El Coyote Ranch), storms have destroyed the 2-track. The good news is that Jimmy Sones has made a killer single track line through this route. It is difficult from Mike's to El Coyote (rated 4) and extremely difficult from El Coyote to Mikes as it has many more uphill climbs (rated 5). To find from Mike's, when you drop into the wash for the first time, just look UP left. As of 10/2010 you can pass through the route MKSQ (this is not difficult: 6-7 miles of washout with easy single track sections that rejoin the jeep rd. in several places). Tip: After you enter the wash for the first time you will rejoin the road again. When you get to a 6 foot drop off at the end of the 2-track, turn around.....go about 200 yards and turn Right to cross the wash. The rest is easy.

As of June 2007:

SJLR & LRCC:

What used to be a graded road from Loreto to San Javier is now paved (started mid 2007) - bummer!

As of November 2007:

SJLR:

The road was completely washed out from 2SJ71 through 2SJ74. When we got there June 07, not a soul had taken this road. What was once a popular Score-International route for the Baja 1000 and Baja 500 was washed out beyond recognition. It was fixed and totally passable at the same ride rating until May 2010 when hurricane Jimenez thrashed it in equal proportions or worse. Expert riders looking for a challenge can pass through. Be prepared to stay overnight just in case!

SJML: This route too was creamed by Jimenez, but it is passable. The road was somewhat fixed leaving it a bit more challenging, but doable in a day. Enjoy.

As of November 2007:

IGSJ:

Prior to the recent rains in the south, this ride was a beautiful route at minimum. As of 11/1/06, it was not passable a blade came through and fixed the nicest road I ever saw through the canyon. Fall of 2009, hurricane Jimenez not only took out the new road, but made this canyon totally impassable. We were able to make it from the north within about 2 miles from the rancho. We slept in the canyon under a full moon Halloween night listening to a million and one baby frogs cherp. My friend Sabastian showed up on his mule calling my name in the dark distance - how he knew it was me I'll never know! He brought fresh made cows cheese, tortillas, and beans for our dinner - man, what a treat!! I hiked into the rancho the next day with some gifts and Sabastian told me the road only got worse south. It may be possible to get through, but surely a 2 day process at minimum. I'll be back fall of 2010 to give it a go!

