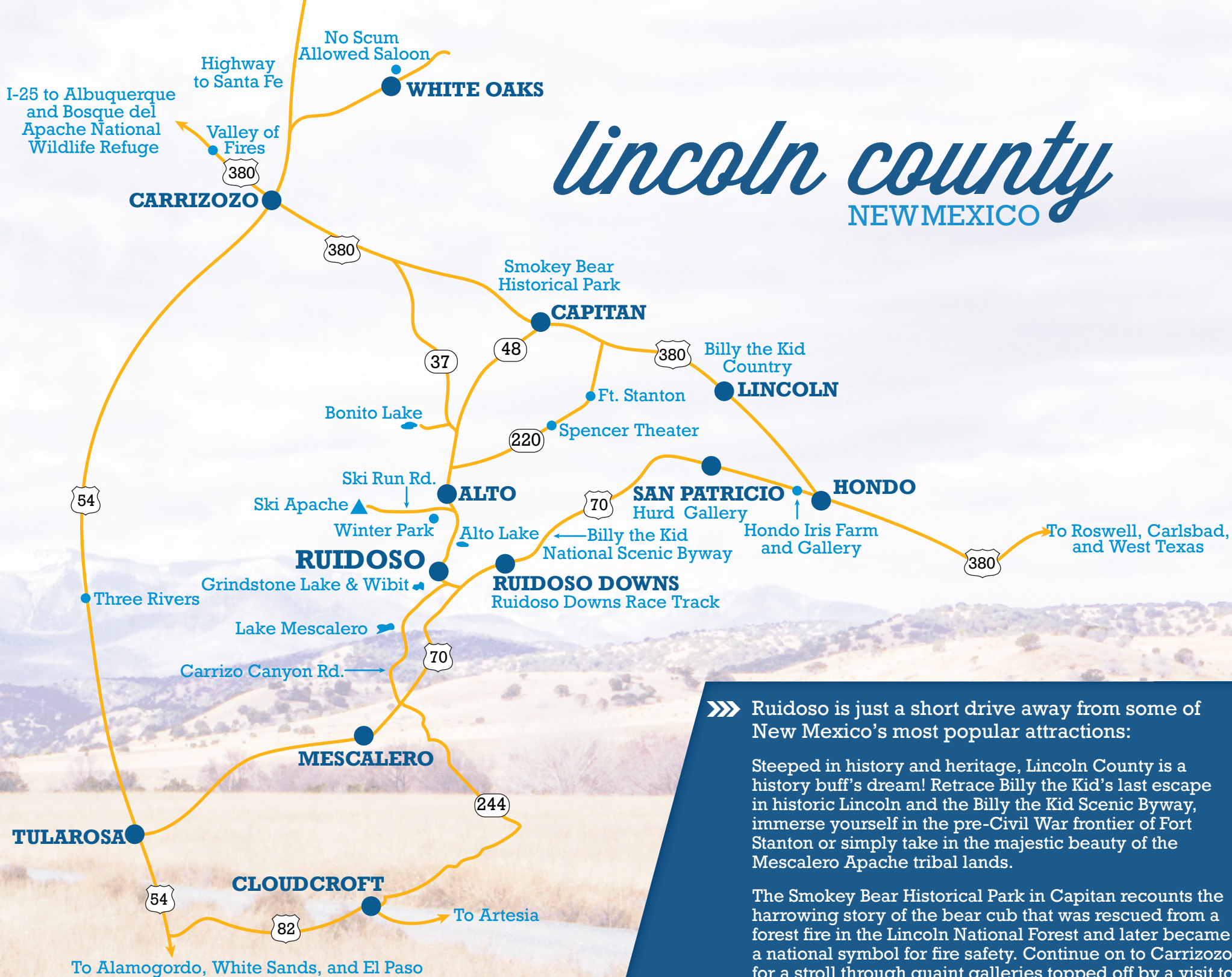


Lincoln County

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»»» Ruidoso is just a short drive away from some of New Mexico's most popular attractions:

Steeped in history and heritage, Lincoln County is a history buff's dream! Retrace Billy the Kid's last escape in historic Lincoln and the Billy the Kid Scenic Byway, immerse yourself in the pre-Civil War frontier of Fort Stanton or simply take in the majestic beauty of the Mescalero Apache tribal lands.

The Smokey Bear Historical Park in Capitan recounts the harrowing story of the bear cub that was rescued from a forest fire in the Lincoln National Forest and later became a national symbol for fire safety. Continue on to Carrizozo for a stroll through quaint galleries topped off by a visit to the Malpais, a lava bed formed about 5,000 years ago.

Visit White Oaks, a quaint ghost town full of Old West history and beautiful Victorian structures. While you're there, don't miss the No Scum Allowed Saloon, named as one of the "Top Ten Cowboy Bars in the West" by American Cowboy Magazine.

Take a quick trip to Alamogordo, home to the International Space Hall of Fame at the New Mexico Museum of Space History, and gateway to the stunning natural wonder of White Sands—definitely a must-see!

A short drive to the east and you'll find yourself in Roswell, site of the 1947 UFO crash and the International UFO Museum.

Carlsbad Caverns is a great day-trip from Ruidoso. This cave system hidden beneath the desert features the largest chambered cavern in North America.



Ski Apache, the southernmost continuously operating ski area in the United States, boasts 750 skiable acres featuring varied terrain for the novice or the pro on 55 trails traversing 1,900 vertical feet with 8 lifts and gondola.



Not only known for skiing, this mountain is a year-round destination hosting one of the world's longest zip lines, miles of bike trails and disc golf.



If you're looking for a winter fix off the ski slopes, try tubing at the Ruidoso Winter Park, recently called "The Holy Grail of Snow Tubing" by the Travel Channel's Bert the Conqueror.



Ruidoso Downs Race Track, home of the world's richest quarter horse race — The All American Futurity — is always a family favorite. As the only track in the United States or Europe that has both a quarter horse straightaway and a thoroughbred oval, spectators enjoy a unique racing venue.



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»»» And discover a mountain paradise in southern New Mexico full of outdoor adventure and relaxation.

Eat, Drink, Play in Ruidoso

- Boutique shopping
- Miles of hiking and biking trails
- 8 golf courses
- Chef inspired cuisine
- Locally crafted beer, wine and spirits
- Art galleries
- OHV tours
- 72 holes of disc golf
- The Wildit, Ruidoso's Floating Water Park

»»» Ruidoso is a year-round playground set in the cool pines of the Sacramento Mountains in southern New Mexico.

Known for both adventure and rejuvenation, Ruidoso offers something for everyone. Alpine skiing, boutique shopping, art galleries, championship golf courses, wildlife viewing, the acclaimed Spencer Theater, hundreds of miles of trails, horse racing at Ruidoso Downs and world-class gaming are just a few attractions found in this quaint mountain village.



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