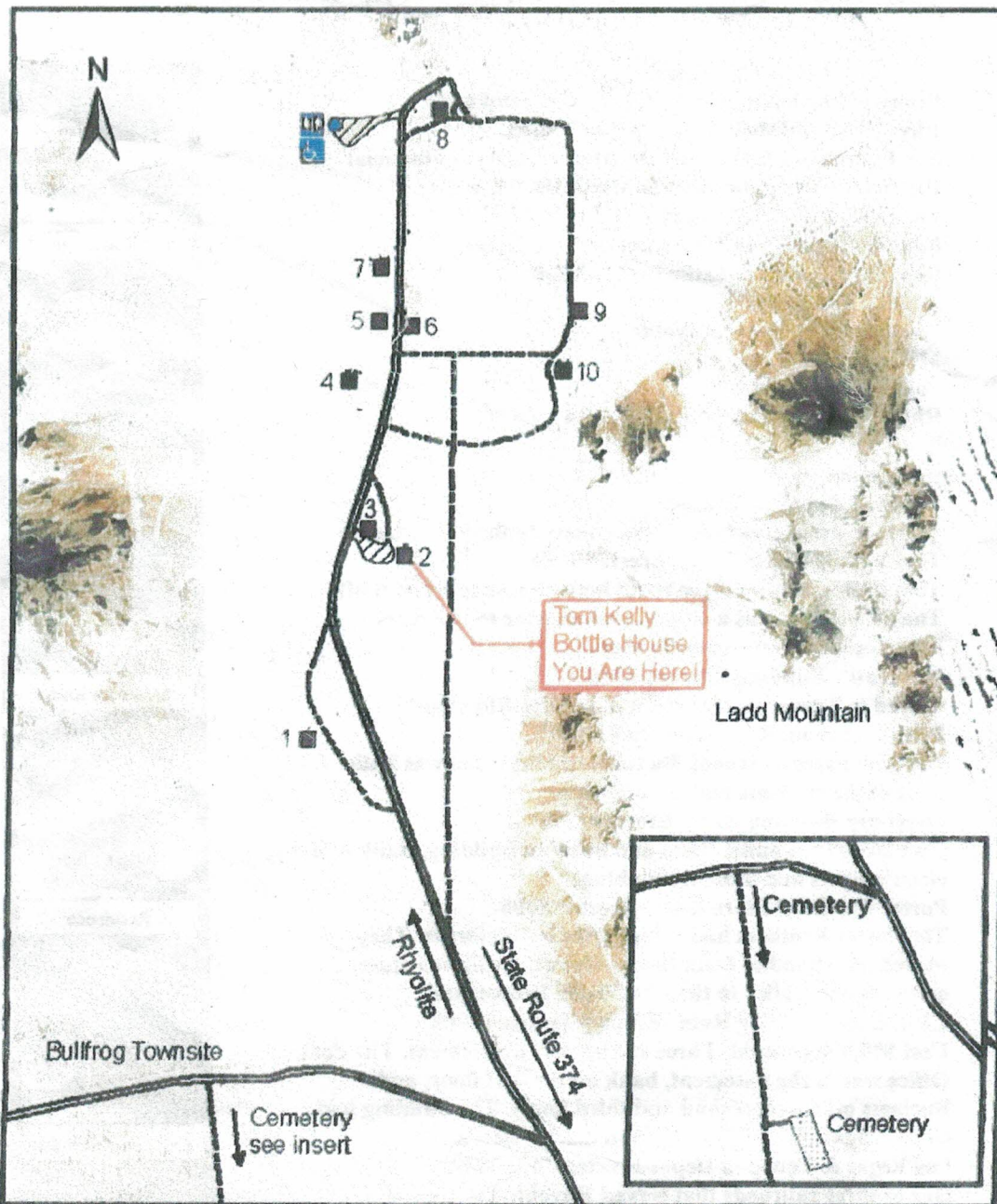


# Rhyolite Townsite Map



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| ■ Points of Interest | 1 Goldwell Open Air Museum (private) Open to Public | 6 Porter Brothers Store Ruins |
| ♿ Restrooms          | 2 Tom Kelly's Bottle House                          | 7 Cook Bank Building Ruins    |
| ▣ Cemetery           | 3 Mercantile Store                                  | 8 Las Vegas & Tonopah Depot   |
| ▨ Parking Lots       | 4 Rhyolite School Ruins                             | 9 Residence                   |
| == Paved Roads       | 5 Overbury Building Ruins                           | 10 Jail                       |
| - - - Dirt Roads     |   |                               |

## AUTO/WALKING TOUR RHYOLITE HISTORIC TOWNSITE, NEVADA

### Timeline:

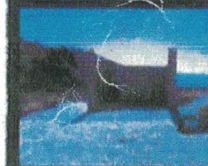
- 1904 Prospectors Shorty Harris & Ed Cross Find Gold
- 1905 Rhyolite Established and Townsite Platted
- 1906 San Francisco Earthquake Destroys California Financial District. Funding for Nevada Mines Decreases
- 1907 Financial Panic in the East  
Funding for Nevada Mines Decreases Further
- 1908 Rhyolite Population Estimated at 8,000  
Mines Begin to Fail
- 1910 People begin to leave Rhyolite  
Mines Fail
- 1919 Post Office Closed
- 1920 Rhyolite Population Estimated at 14

### Points of Interest (see map):

- #1 **Goldwell Open Air Museum**  
Outdoor sculptures (privately owned) Public is welcome
- #2 **Tom Kelly's Bottle House-Erected 1906**  
Tom Kelly built the three room bottle house to raffle it off. The house served as a family residence for many years. Most recently, it was a curio shop.
- #3 **Mercantile Building-Erected 1906**  
Moved to Transvaal, Beatty, and back to Rhyolite
- #4 **Rhyolite School Ruins-Erected 1909**  
Rhyolite's second school. By the time the school was built, most of the students had left Rhyolite.
- #5 **Overbury Building Ruins-Erected 1907**  
Cost \$45,000 to build. Bank and business building. Bank had electric lights and indoor plumbing.
- #6 **Porter Brothers' Store Ruins-Erected 1906**  
The Porter Brothers had three stores in California. They moved merchandise from their Ballarat, California store, across Death Valley to their "Rhyolite Emporium".
- #7 **Cook Bank Building Ruins-Erected January 1908**  
Cost \$90,000 to build. Three stories plus a basement. The Post Office was in the basement, bank on the first floor, and Business offices on second and third floors. The building had electric lights, steam heating, and marble floors.
- #8 **Las Vegas & Tonopah Depot-Erected June 1909**  
One of three railroads that served Rhyolite.
- #9 **Residence (Red Light District)-Erected 1905**  
Two room cabin. Has been a residence. May have been a brothel.
- #10 **Jail-Erected 1907**  
Before this jail was built, prisoners had to be transported down the hill to the Bullfrog jail.



Cook Bank



Jail Ruins



Overbury Ruins



Residence



Kelly Bottle House



LV & T Depot