

★ The long, slow haul from Salt Lake City to Miami, Arizona

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Phoenix-based Precision Heavy Haul is slowly carrying a 225-foot rig from Salt Lake City to the small Arizona mining town of Miami, impeding Valley traffic as it makes its way through Arizona next week.

The 285-ton anode used in the electrical process to refine copper moves uphill at 15 miles per hour and will take eight days to travel from Hoover Dam to Miami.

It left Salt Lake City Aug. 2, and is expected to enter Arizona from Nevada next week.

It will take up to two lanes of traffic, and be escorted by Department of Public Safety officers and pilot cars.

To help you avoid the slow oversized load, here is the complete travel schedule.

Tuesday, Aug. 9Cross Hoover Dam Bridge between 12:30 a.m. to 1 a.m. on US 93 heading toward Kingman, where it will continue to Interstate 40. I-40 at milepost 42 south of Kingman will close at 5:30 a.m. to allow the heavy load to enter the eastbound side of the highway.

Wednesday, Aug. 10Depart at 6 a.m. from Kingman area, traveling east on I-40 and then south on US 93 to north of Wickenburg.

Thursday, Aug. 11Depart at 6 a.m. from Wickenburg area and travel east on US 60, then east on State Route 74 (Carefree Highway) before stopping near the I-17/SR 74 junction.

Friday, Aug. 12Depart I-17/SR 74 junction at 12 a.m. and travel to Fountain Hills via Scottsdale Road, Dynamite Blvd., Rio Verde Road, Forest Road, McDowell Mountain Road, Saguaro Blvd. and Shea Blvd.

Monday, Aug. 15Depart at 3 a.m. from Fountain Hills, traveling north on SR 87 and then southeast on SR 188 to Tonto Basin

Tuesday, Aug. 16Depart at 6 a.m. from the Tonto Basin, traveling southeast on State Route 188 and then west on US 60 to New Street (mine entrance).



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