

Between R-2505 and R-2506 is a narrow corridor, part of the Panamint MOA, known as the Trona Gap (see the Las Vegas and Los Angeles sectional). The Trona Gap is the only way to transit between Panamint and Isabella when the restricted areas are active. This makes the Trona Gap a busy corridor and a choke point for traffic. On occasion, the Trona Gap will close to most MOA traffic to allow weapons testing between the two restricted areas. This converts the MOA into a Controlled Firing Area (CFA), essentially a restricted area. The Trona CFA will be published in the NOTAMS. Even with the NOTAM in hand, it is a great idea to talk to Joshua real time and see if the test has changed times and whether or not the Trona CFA is still active. You may be able to underfly the CFA below 3,000 ft AGL if Joshua allows, but remember, you are underflying a test weapon. Good luck!