

# Hays

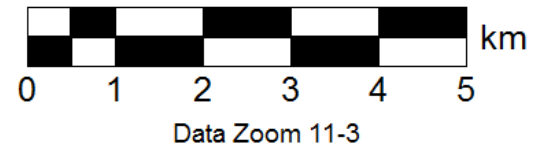
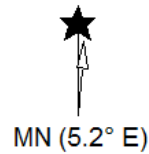
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## **Hotels in Hays**

Ramada

Days Inn

Fairfield Inn

Holiday Inn

Hamton Inn

Americas Best Value Inn

Baymont

## Fort Hays State University Apartments

### Stadium Apartments:

- 2 and 4 BR units (1 and 2 bathroom)
- Full Kitchens
- 18-20 open Summer 2014.
- Not known yet how many open 2015
- Need to know roughly how many apts different teams need
- Cheap per person



## Fort Hays State University Dorm Suites

### e.g. Agnew Apartments:

- 4 BR suites, one/two bathroom(s) per suite
- Kitchenettes
- Some open Summer 2014.
- Not known yet how many open 2015
- Could put 1,2,3,4 people per 4 BR suite
- Cheap per person



Also, dorm type accommodation in other buildings.

## **CSWR can arrange for block(s) of rooms/suites/apartments at FHSU**

We need to know ASAP how many rooms and of what type each group wants.

We are negotiating to get a firm commitment, blocking, of some number of apartments and suites.

Prices are << per diem for Hays in most cases.

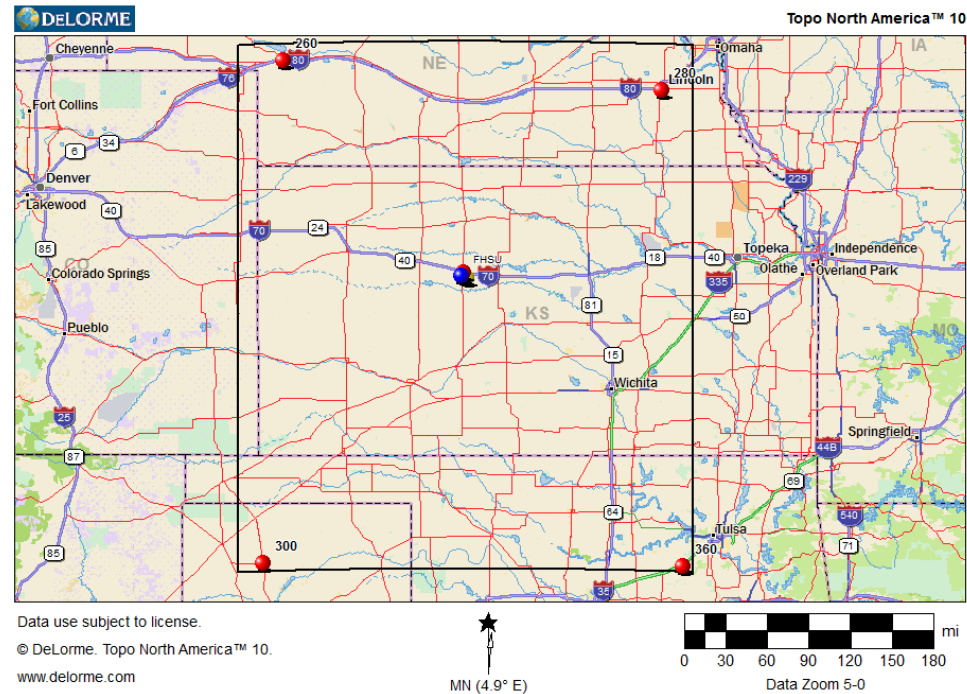
It may be first-come-first-pay for these options since we may have to guarantee payment to lock these in.

I doubt that there will be enough of the full apartments for everyone.

## Away-from-Hays Lodging

It is assumed that radar and other crews may stay overnight away from Hays.

- If drive back is long or it is very late
  - Lincoln: 280 miles
  - Ogallala, Nebraska: 260 miles
  - Bristow, Oklahoma: 360 miles
  - Dumas, Texas: 300 miles
- If drive back is unsafe
- If next day's operations are in similar area



## Away from Hays Lodging: Logistics and Decision Process

- CSWR can run “lodging pool” similarly to VORTEX2
- Participation is, of course, voluntary
- Decision of whether to lodge away from Hays is up to each PI (whomever is paying)
- Opt in / Opt out e-mailed to CSWR (Ling Chan, [ling@cswr.org](mailto:ling@cswr.org)) by 8pm on each mission day. PECAN may want to collectively decide an earlier cut off time, to increase hotel choice. But a single time, for a single booking negotiation, is necessary.
- Probably all in one hotel, in one city. CSWR can’t likely accommodate multi-hotel requests for, say, teams deployed in different locations. So, for example, if the hexagon is centered on Wichita, we would likely put all crews in Wichita, or somewhere between Wichita and where the Mission Scientist tells us Day 2 operations are likely.
- Rooms will be booked, using the PI provided credit card, using the PI provided rooming list.
- Cancelling, if possible, is the responsibility of each PI, not CSWR.
- CSWR will try to get late check out, 1200 – 1400 CDT, but this is not guaranteed. Individual groups can request reservations for two nights to guarantee lodging into afternoon/evening.
- Receipts, etc. are the responsibility of the individual PIs, not CSWR. CSWR is just facilitating, it is not your agent.
- CSWR can’t guarantee the quality of the rooms. We will do our best.

# Safety

Common Sense

Night

Rain

Lightning

High winds

Hail

Flooding (ditches, etc.)

Other drivers (bar closing times, weekends, etc.)

Fatigue (shifts, naps, etc.)

Vehicle / Pedestrian accidents (wear reflective vests, etc.)

The buck stops with individual PIs.

Radar Coordinator will be watching radar and warnings for extreme winds, flooding, tornadoes and should contact radar teams.

Radar Coordinator (in addition to PIs) ensures all Radar teams get 'home'

Other "Coordinator" for other mobile teams?

Cellular phones are main comms for safety. Satellite phones and/or VHF.

Teams can optionally carry SPOT or similar type emergency trackers.