

AM 105 in Nevada – Carson City to Hawthorne

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Bonanza Air Services was formed in 1945 as a charter airline based in Las Vegas, Nevada. Initially, the airline flew Cessna T-50 aircraft but, after purchasing two DC-3 airplanes in 1946, Bonanza began scheduled flights between Las Vegas and Reno, NV. In 1949, Bonanza was awarded the AM 105 air contract and began interstate flights to Phoenix, AZ under the new name of Bonanza Air Lines



The subject cover below is from a Southbound flight in December 1949 from Carson City, Nevada to Hawthorne, Nevada. This was the first flight between the two destinations and the plane was piloted by Myron W. Reynolds.



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