

# Tuzgle

## Argentina



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Tuzgle is the name of a volcano on the Argentinean altiplano. In the vicinity of the volcano there are several canyons of red volcanic tuff. The coordinates of the canyon in which we climbed is -23.998701 N,-66.507735 W.

The stone is almost everywhere of good quality for bouldering, sport climbing and traditional climbing. This climbing spot at an altitude of 4200m is very well worth the journey. The sport routes are generally technical and difficult to read. Most of the time the red vertical or slightly overhanging walls are climbed, with few holds (except the two easy routes). The belays are not always well installed. Often a second point for the abseil is lacking. What a pity!

In the trad climbing routes there are often no points or belays at all, forcing the climber to walk down in easy terrain. However, there are some truly legendary cracks. Not to be missed!

A drawback is the difficulty to access the spot. There is little public transport (3 buses a week in 2012) from Jujuy/Susques to Puesto Sey and from Puesto Sey there are still 5km to walk to the entrance of the valley where the climbing sectors are located. Susques is reached easily from Jujuy by bus (4 hours) and the tourist office at the entrance of the town has very friendly staff who can help you to arrange a private transfer to the canyon.


As for water a little stream flows down the valley. However it is said that one should not drink that water rich in sulfur due to the proximity to the Tuzgle volcano. It is best to bring water from Susques or Puesto Sey.


This topo is not meant to be exhaustive about the yet not exploited potential of the place. However since only few and very restricted resources are available on the internet ([www.stonedance.com](http://www.stonedance.com)), this guide is meant to be a starting point. If someone has more information, do not hesitate to contact us ([info@picalciot.ch](mailto:info@picalciot.ch), [alittlebithigher.wordpress.com](http://alittlebithigher.wordpress.com)) in order to complete and improve this document.



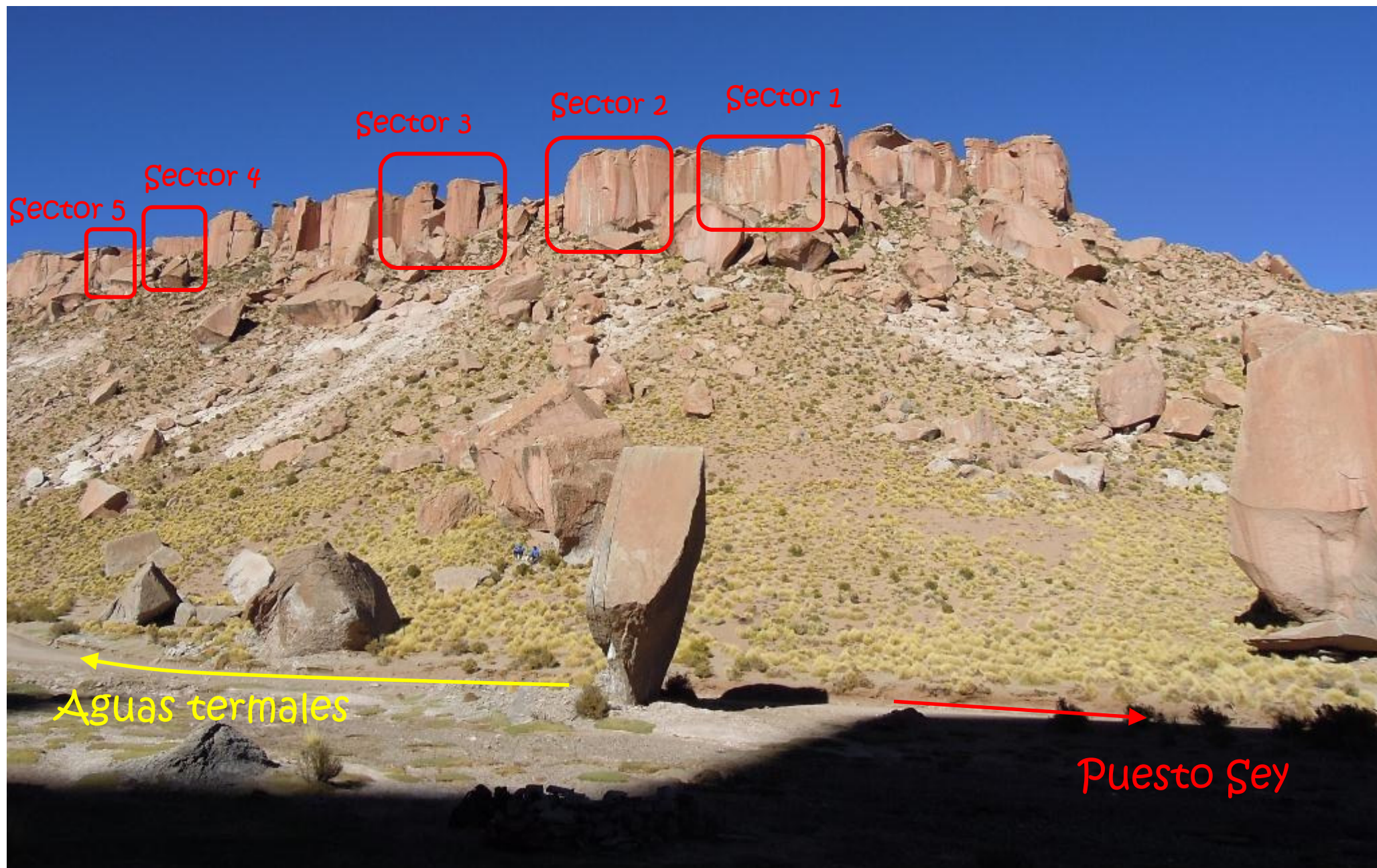
 Belay for abseil

 No belay

 Two bolts (belay to be completed)

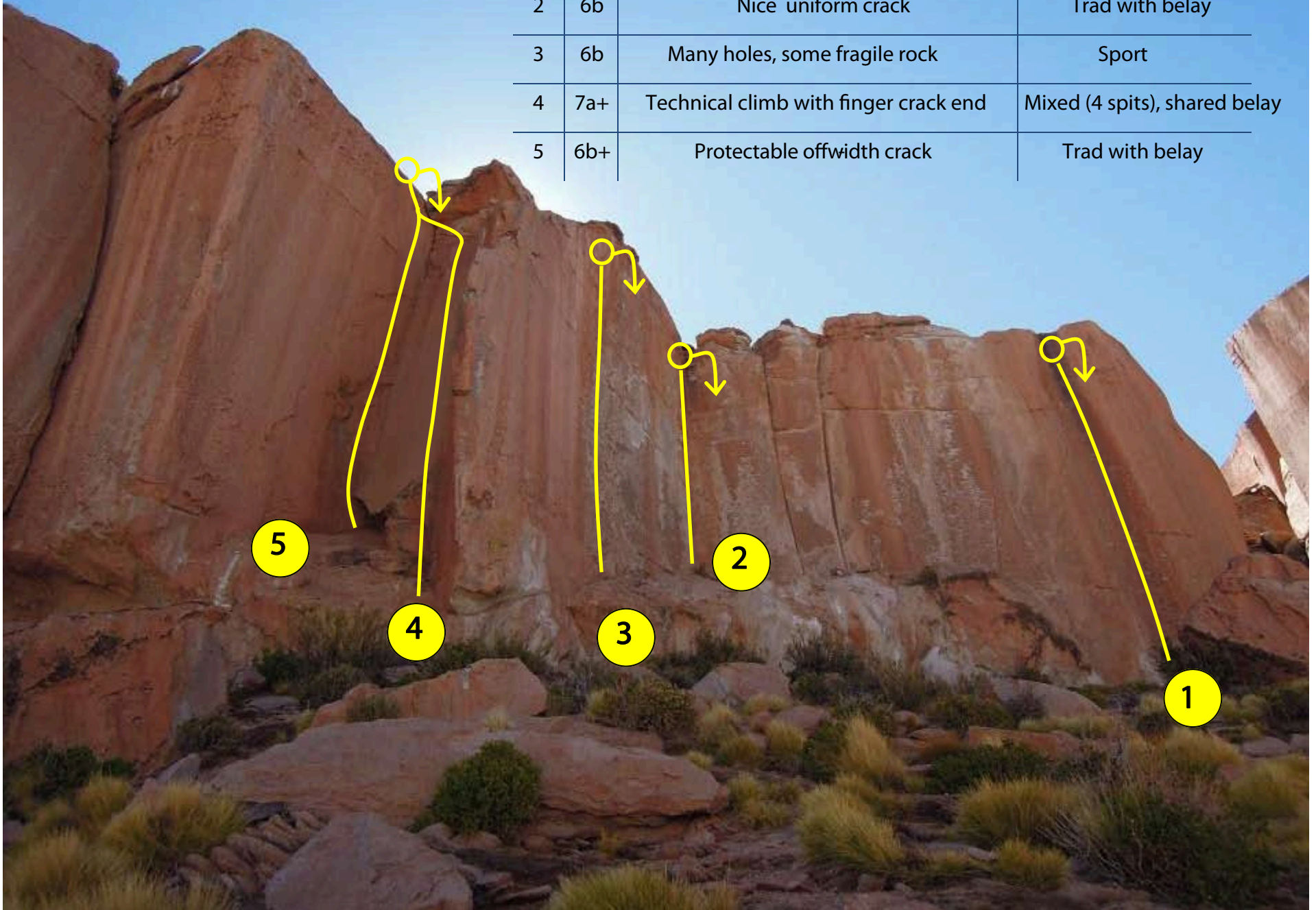
 One bolt only

# View of left orographic side



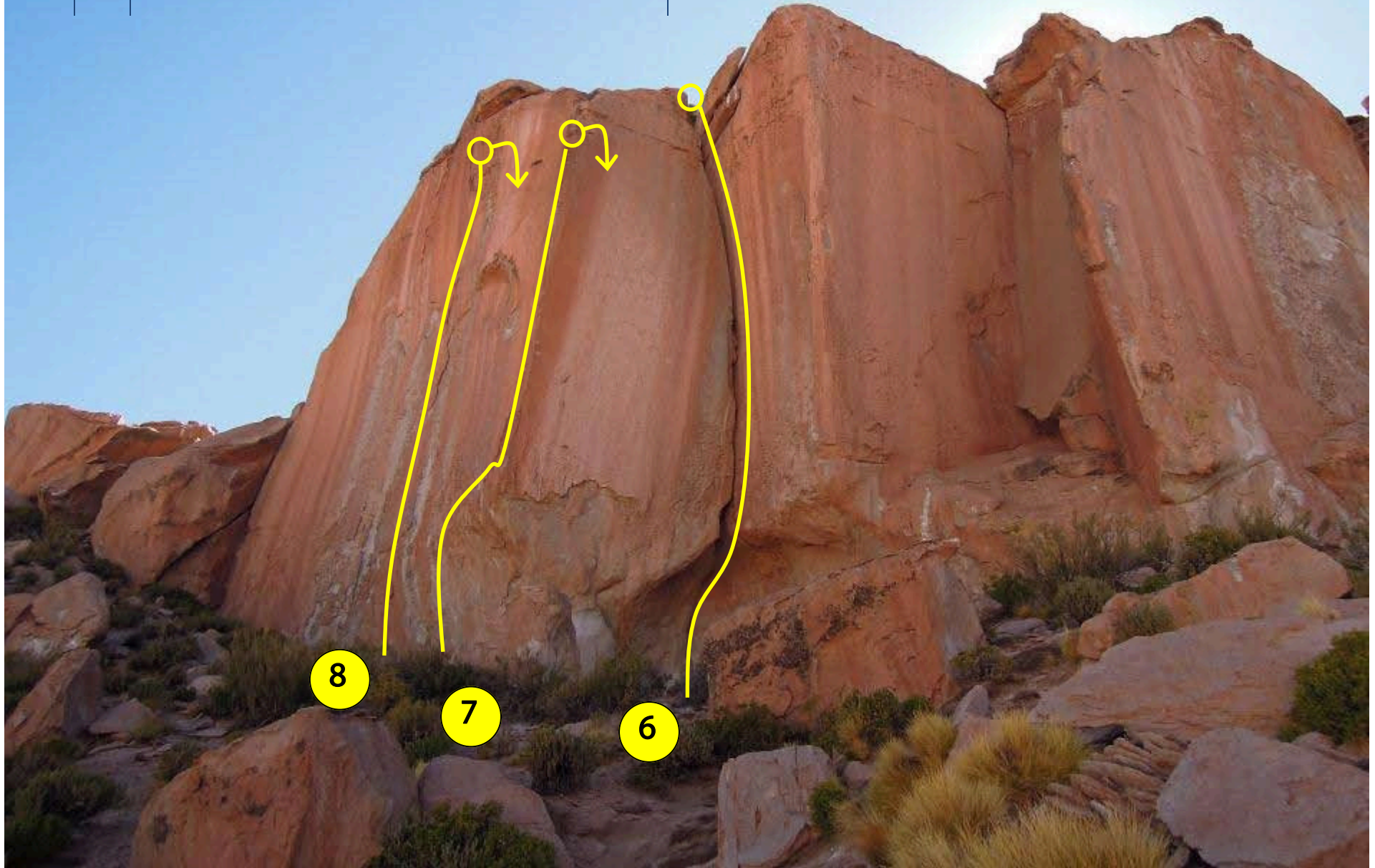
# Sector 1

1	?	Slab	Sport
2	6b	Nice uniform crack	Trad with belay
3	6b	Many holes, some fragile rock	Sport
4	7a+	Technical climb with finger crack end	Mixed (4 spits), shared belay
5	6b+	Protectable offwidth crack	Trad with belay



6	7b?	Start with overhanging crack and offwidth end	Trad without belay
7	?	Start with overhang and then slab	Sport
8	?	Long spaces between bolts	Sport

## Sector 2



9 7a+

Tough start

Sport

10 ?

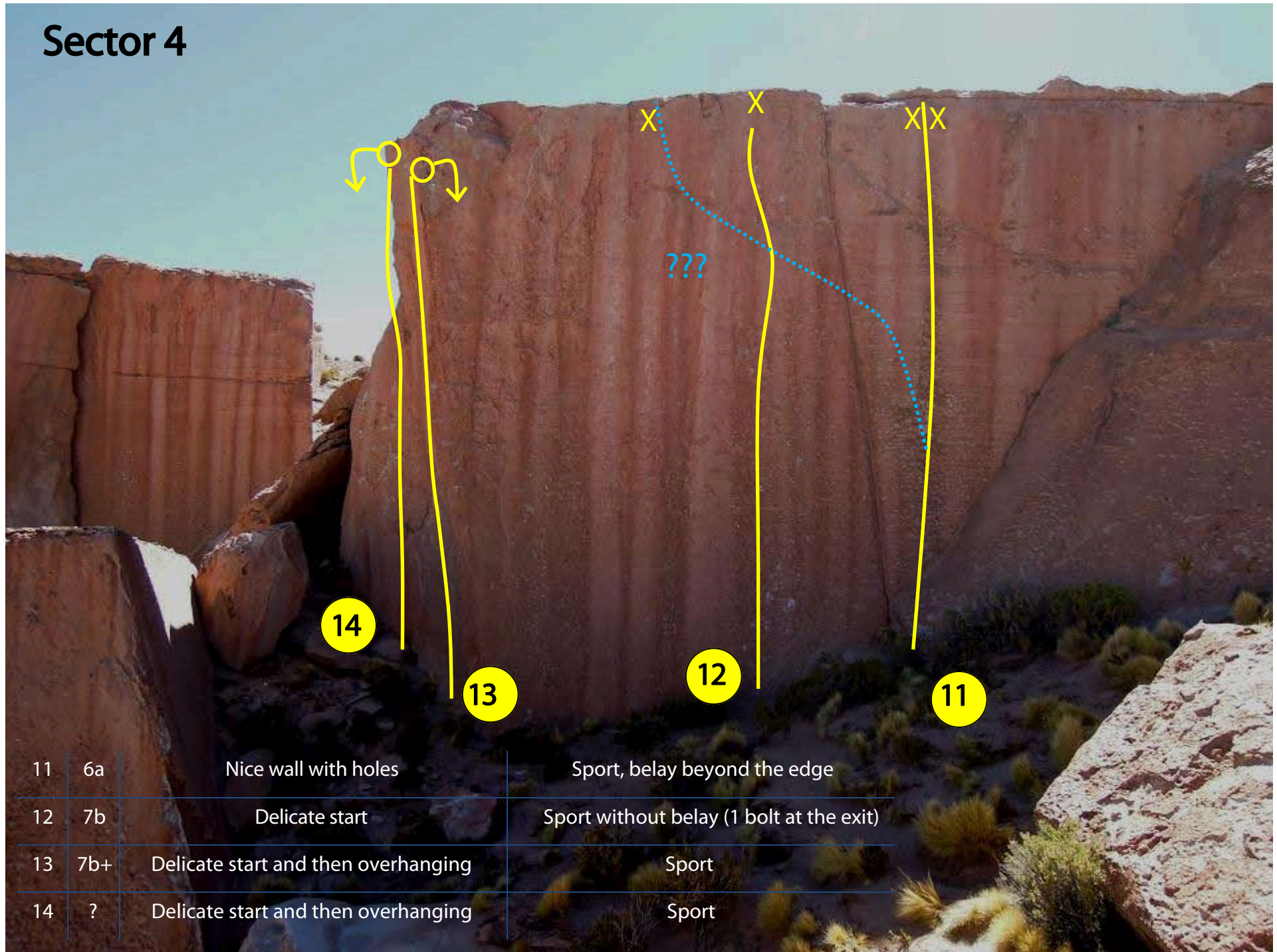
Route follows the slab

Sport

## Sector 3

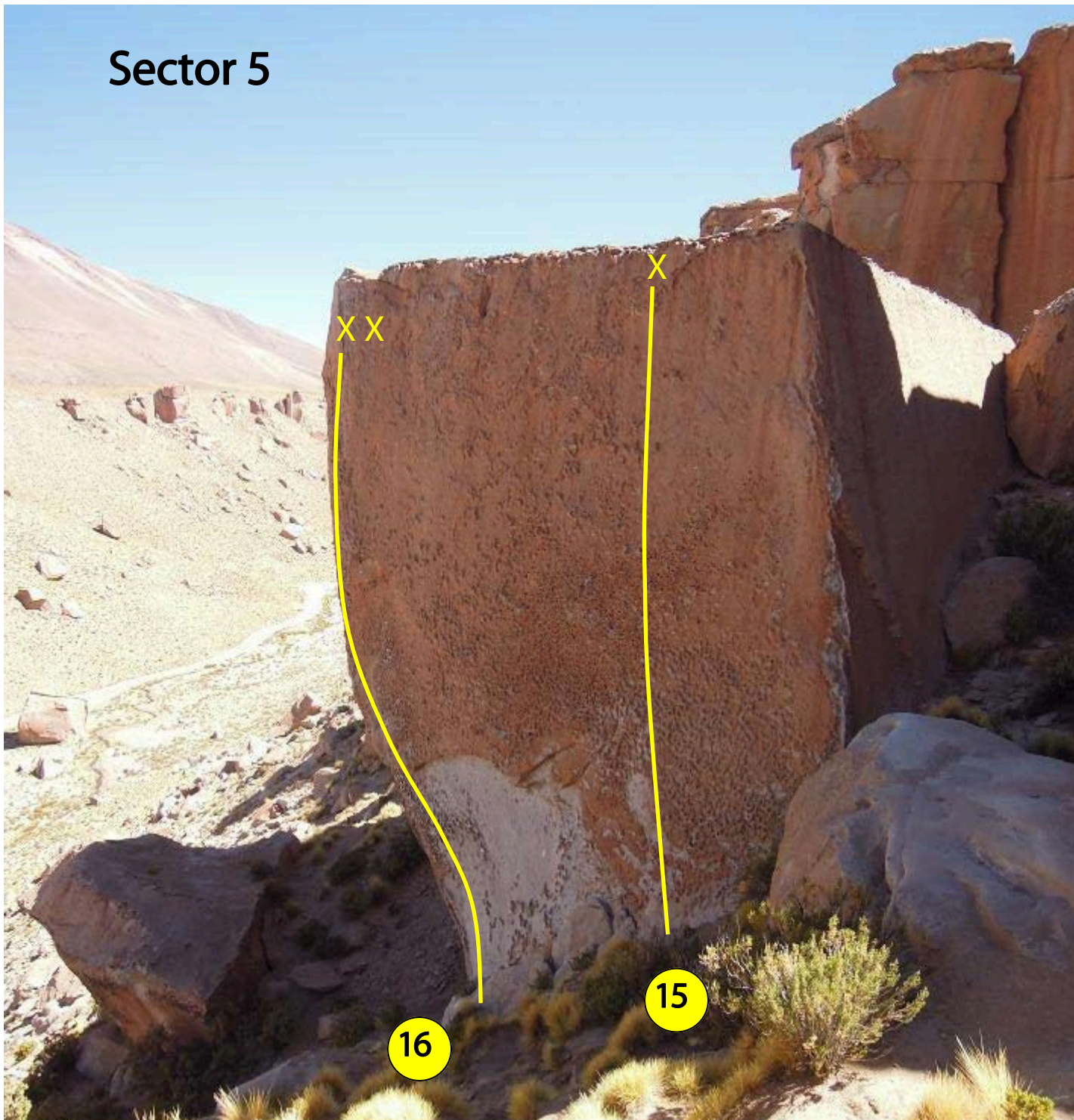


# Sector 4



11	6a	Nice wall with holes	Sport, belay beyond the edge
12	7b	Delicate start	Sport without belay (1 bolt at the exit)
13	7b+	Delicate start and then overhanging	Sport
14	?	Delicate start and then overhanging	Sport

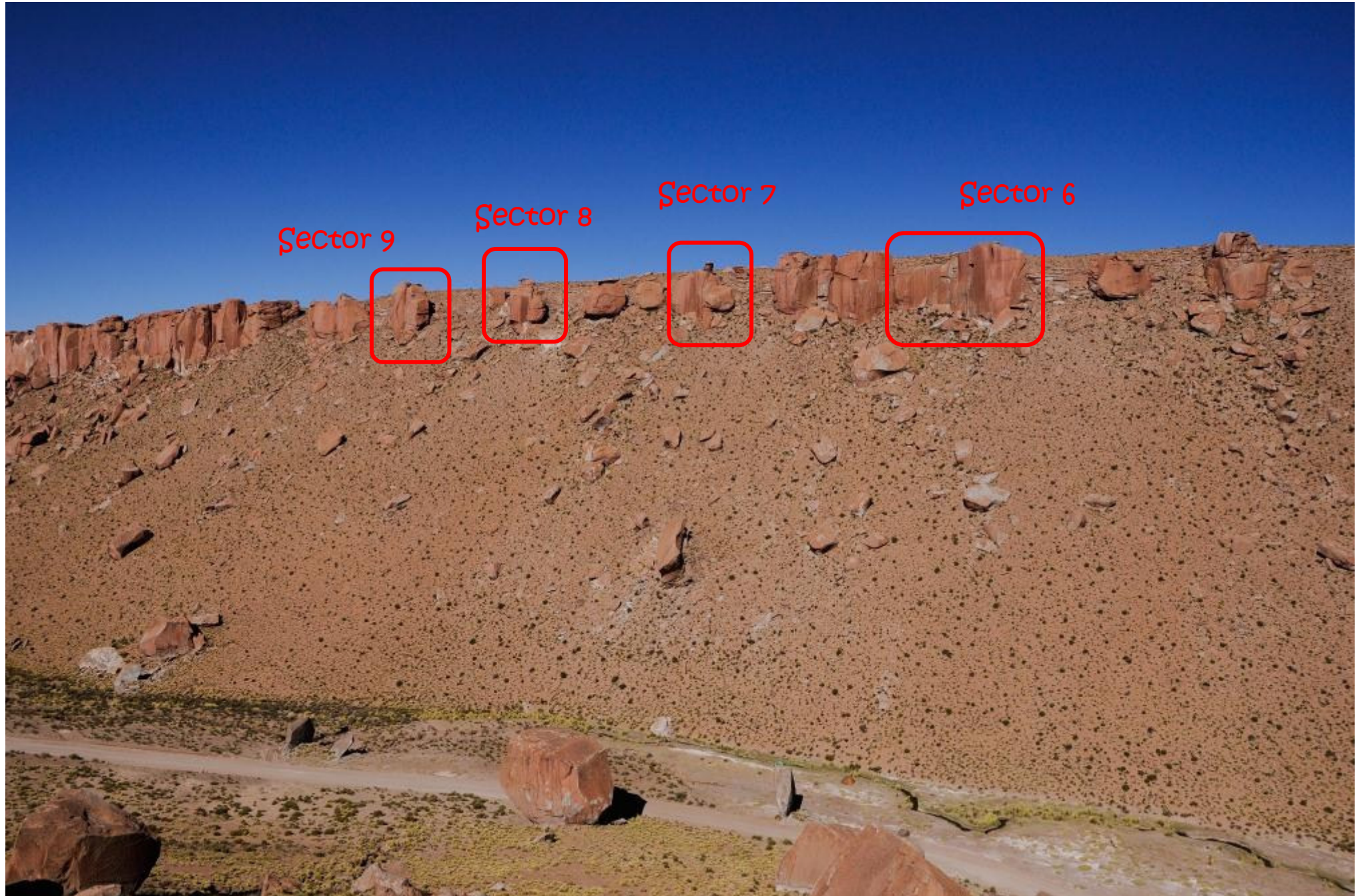
# Sector 5



15	5b	Short wall with holes	Sport without belay
16	6b	Not to be missed!	Sport

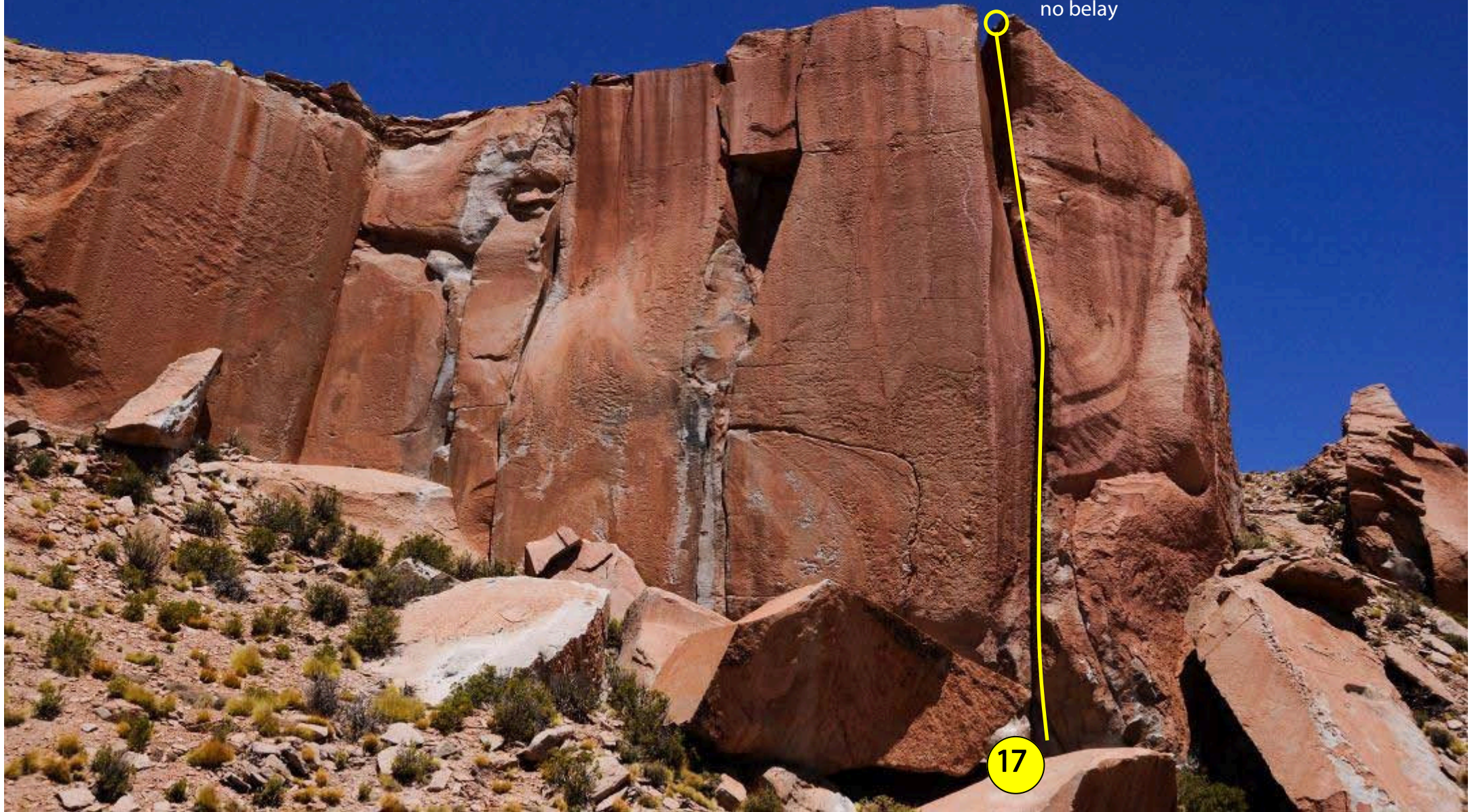


# View of right orographic side

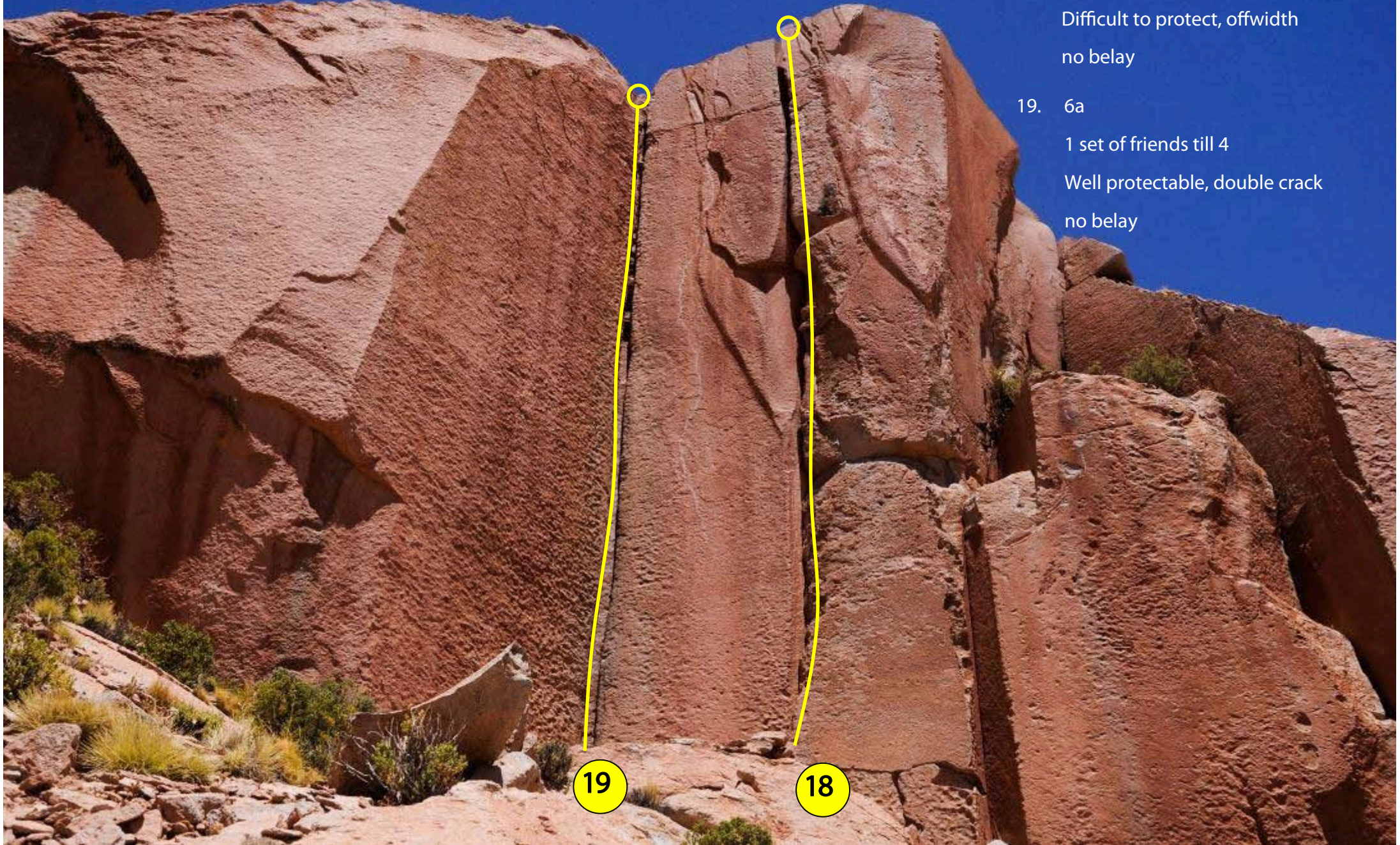


## Sector 6

17. La ruta de los suizos, 6c (first ascent?)  
1 set of friends till 4, double sizes 3-4  
Starts with finger crack and ends with offwidth  
no belay



# Sector 7



18. 6b  
1 set of friends till 6, double sizes 5-6  
Difficult to protect, offwidth  
no belay

19. 6a  
1 set of friends till 4  
Well protectable, double crack  
no belay

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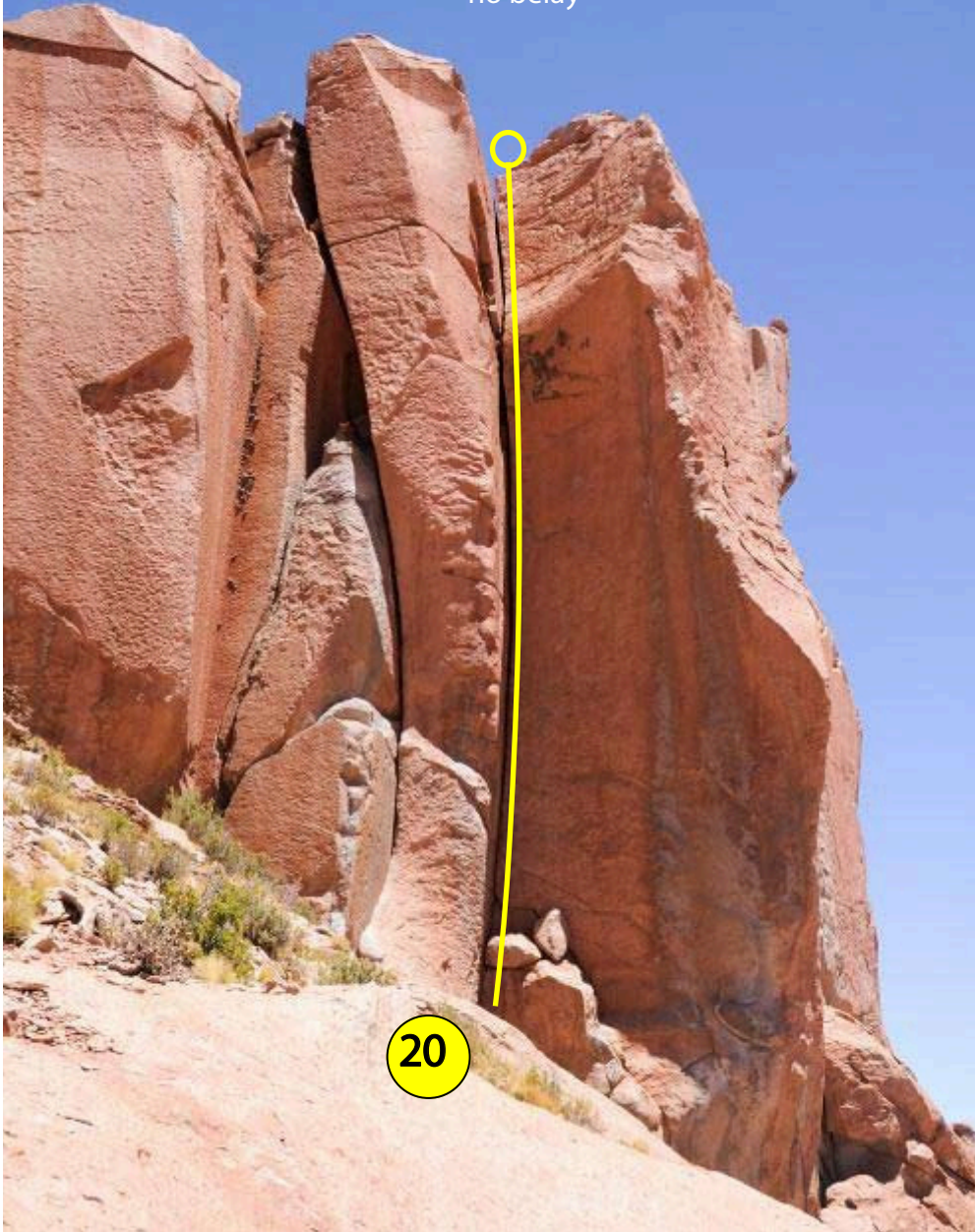
## Sector 8

20. 6b

1 set of friends till 4, double sizes 1-3

Well protectable

no belay



## Sector 9

21. 7b?

1 set of friends, double sizes 0.4-1

Start difficult to protect

Sling and additional friends for belay

