



Smokey Bear Fantasy Train

Prototype Information

Train Type: Fantasy Forest Fire Safety Advertising Train

Engines: one EMD GP-20

Origination: Here

Era: Any time

Destination: There

Train Information

Motive Power: Analog DCC Sound

One powered Life-Like engine w/ TCS decoder installed

Number of cars: 13 Caboose FRED

Length: 4.8 ft = 768 scale ft = 0.15 scale mile

Speed: 40 mph (approximately)

Conductor: **Steve (Razor) Gillett**

This special fantasy freight train pays tribute to the beloved symbol of U.S.A. forest fire prevention, Smokey Bear. Smokey was a safety advertising campaign prepared by the U.S. Forest Service in 1944. The famous slogan "Remember... only YOU can prevent forest fires" was created in 1947.

There really was a Smokey Bear, a cub found while rangers were fighting a fire in the Lincoln National Forest just northeast of Ruidoso, New Mexico in 1950. He was sent to the National Zoo in Washington, DC and stayed there until his death in 1976. Smokey was so famous and received so much fan mail that the US Post Office gave him his own zip code.