Wabash Railroad



Prototype Information

Train Type: Express Mixed Freight

Engines: three Fairbanks-Morse H24-66 Trainmasters

Origination: Detroit, Michigan

Era: 1972

Destination: St. Louis Missouri

Route: Ft. Wayne, Wabash, Lafayette, Danville, Decatur

Consist: box cars, flat cars, gondolas, hoppers and tankers

Train Information

Motive Power: Analog DCC Sound

Three powered Atlas engines w/ Digitrax decoders installed

Number of cars: 85 Caboose FRED

Length: 26.9 ft = 4306 scale ft = 0.82 scale miles

Speed: 40 mph (approximately)

Conductor: Steve (Razor) Gillett

The Wabash Railroad was an arterial line in the mid-west, stretching from Buffalo through Detroit, Toledo, Chicago, St. Louis, Kansas City, Des Moines and Omaha. It was known as a high-speed freight line hauling everything from auto parts to produce.

Although leased by the Norfolk & Western in 1964, the Wabash continuing to operate as the Wabash until the N&W purchased it outright in 1991.

Why was it named "Wabash?" It was because the railroad's main line follows the Wabash River across nearly the entire state of Indiana.