

# Western Continental Layout

This freelance layout is inspired by the steam to diesel transition era up to the 1960's, running multiple road names such as Santa Fe, Union Pacific, Southern Pacific, Burlington and Northern Pacific. These railroads covered the western United States from Chicago to Seattle and New Orleans to San Diego.

The layout is still in the construction phase so you will be able to observe our construction techniques. All track is in place with more structures planned and much work to do on scenery on ballasting. Multiple structures were built by the host and are mostly AMB and Bar Mills Kits purchased through estate sales, model railroad swap meets or online. When another builder is known, the structure is labeled with credit to them. The layout is 2/3 complete.

The layout will be open to members of the Cajon Division of the NMRA and friends free of charge on January 11, 2025 from 11AM to 3PM at 9413 Steeplehill Drive, Las Vegas NV. Your host is Craig McCormick. Please RSVP to Craig if you plan to attend at [cmccor275@gmail.com](mailto:cmccor275@gmail.com) as the property requires gate access. Craig's phone number is 702-606-5916. Light refreshments will be served. Hope to see everyone there for a great layout and a great get together!

## The Layout at a Glance

Name: Western Continental

Scale: HO

Size: 18' x 14.5'

Freelance running multiple road names

Era: Transition to 1960's

Locale: Western USA

Levels: Two connected via helix

Track: Over 300', 25x turnouts, 2x double crossovers, 1x 90 crossing, 1x 45 crossing, 1x wye

Control: Digitrax DCC in 4 power districts



*Figure 1- Overall View*



*Figure 2 – Left Side, Upper Deck*



*Figure 3 -Middle, Upper Deck*



*Figure 4 -Right Side, Upper and Lower Decks*