Trainz Download Gold

Go West, Young Man!

By John D'Angelo



This Christmas season we received a big treat from some of our very creative contributors to the Trainz Download Station (DLS). Elvenor made a batch of new items for those of you who love to model narrow gauge operations and/or enjoy modeling the old west of the United States. Bdaneal also made some great old time narrow and standard gauge locomotives. Combining these items with the great old west equipment by Cowboy and Prowler really can help you create excellent western scenes.



Elevenor's new Pitkin Station and Western Figures.

Elvenor's beautiful Pitkin Station, KUID 63290:28018, is a great item to have on your old west pike. The station can be custom named, and uses animated passengers dressed in early western clothes. The pictures for this article are screen shots from my TRS2006 *Rock Bottom & Beatte* narrow gauge route. All of the figures seen in the pictures are available from the DLS under

Elvenor's KUID number of 63290. There are so many individual figures and groups, I just don't have enough room to list them individually. Just go digging under Elvenor's name or KUID number and you will find plenty of gold.



Animated figures at Pitkin Station.

The animated station figures are designed to work with Elvenor's new narrow gauge passenger cars. Note that the station in the picture has Elvenor's MAN6 4 Rail Track, KUID:63290:3801. I use this track on my route for dual gauge operations on the main line.

Elvenor has also just released two sets of 3' narrow gauge passenger cars in Silverton or Denver & Rio Grande lettering. The cars can load and unload passengers, have illumination and have rear lanterns that glow red to the rear and green to the sides. The lanterns are an amazing thing to watch in action. They are available as an express baggage car, combine, or coach. If you put the baggage car behind the locomotive, the running lights will appear at the rear of the baggage car. Add a coach car and the lights will move from the baggage car to the rear of the coach car. Make a train six cars long, and the lights will still move to the back of the rear car. Even *more* amazing is if you pull your train into the yard, move the engine to the turntable, turn it around, and then couple it to the last car in order to head back out in the opposite

direction, the lights will switch to the rear of the newly formed train!



Elvenor's new passenger car with running lights.



Elvenor's three cars in Denver & Rio Grande lettering.

Name	KUID
D&RGW Baggage	63290:15054
D&RGW Combine	63290:15055
D&RGW Coach	63290:15056
Silverton Baggage	63290:15050
Silverton Combine	63290:15052
Silverton Coach	63290:15053



East Broad Top 2-8-2 by bdaneal.

The narrow gauge 2-8-2 and 2-6-62T are perfect for passenger, freight and coal drags. The locomotives are not at the DLS but can be downloaded from bdaneal's web site: http://www.steammachine.com/bdaneal

At his web site you will find free downloads for standard gauge, and 3' or 2' narrow gauge locomotives. They have been running fine in TRS2006 without any errors.



Unitah 2-6-6-2T by bdaneal; 'A' Frame Turntable by Elvenor.

The majority of my narrow gauge freight rolling stock has come from Prowler's web site: http://www.steammachine.com/prowler

I have found that for TRS2006, Prowler's narrow gauge freight cars that come in packs do not show any errors. I have not tried his steam locomotives in TRS2006 yet, as I am still working out how to download them into TRS2006.



Prowler's narrow gauge freight cars.

Finally, what's a western town without good old western style buildings? Combine a good building with Elevenor's western people, and you can have a nice scene. My favorite buildings are made by the Cowboy.



Old West Church by Cowboy, KUID:79097:10034; people by Elvenor.



Old West General Store by Cowboy, KUID:79097:10028.



Well, Pardners, that's about it from the old prospector. I hope you get as much enjoyment from these nuggets as I did, and I wish you all Adios and a very happy 2006!

John

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