POPULAR VOTE CONTEST Mid West Narrow Gage Convention

OVERVIEW:

The purpose of these Criteria is to reduce confusion, to aid in operating the contest, and to produce the most accurate results in the voting. Although this leads to added formality in the process, the goal is to have a quality experience for model builder and voter.

CONTEST CATEGORIES:

Steam Motive Power – (SP) – steam locomotives, steam propelled inspection/maintenance speeders, stored steam locomotives ('thermos bottles'), soda powered, steam turbine

Non Steam Motive Power – (NS) – internal combustion powered, external combustion non steam driven turbine, air powered, jet powered, rocket powered, electric powered (including trolley), people powered, horse powered, self propelled subway, RDC

Revenue Equipment – (RE) – drovers cabooses, goods carrying cars, livestock cars, log cars, passenger cars, mail cars, express cars, jail cars, troop cars, rail bus/street bus owned by the railroad and used for paying passengers, Goose for paid passenger/cargo, RPO, milk cars

Non Revenue Equipment – (NR) – cabooses, MOW equipment, idler cars, mobile cranes, pay cars, mine rescue cars, hospital cars, church cars, training cars, log cars, secondary tenders, baggage cars, kitchen cars, steam generating cars, electric generating cars, fuel transfer cars, fire cars, snow plows, non railroad owned cars/equipment including: donkeys, hoists, private cars, circus cars, farm tractors, truck/trailer, car floats, tug boats, rail/street bus railroad owned and not for paying passengers, rail/street bus not railroad owned

On Line Structures – (OL) – $building\ only$ – $NO\ scenery\ around\ the\ structure$ - any building that is directly serviced by the railroad or structures owned by the railroad for servicing the railroad, bridges, turntables, transfer tables, snow sheds, mines only directly served

Off Line Structures – (FL) – building only – NO scenery around the structure - any building or structure not directly serviced by the railroad as above, camp buildings, motels/hotels, town buildings, houses, garages, picnic sheds, fruit/vegetable stands, farm/ranch, mines not on line

Diorama – (D) - buildings with ANY scenery around the structure – on line or off line structures, modules, scenic displays, micro layouts

DISPLAY ONLY:

For those not wishing to participate in the competition, there will be a display table for placing any type of model. These models will <u>not</u> be eligible for the Awards. These are placed at the model builder's sole risk and liability as there will be no sign in / out procedure.