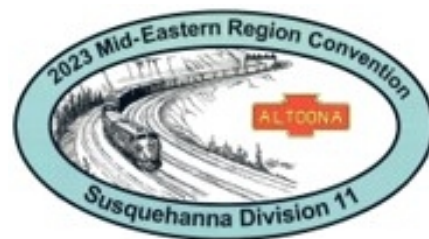




B&O, WM, and P&WV Railroad

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- Style: Prototype
- Era: 1957
- Scale: HO
- Size: 52' X 26'
- % Completed: 100%
- % Scenery: 50%
- Control: NCE "radio" control
- Access: Steps down to basement



My HO-scale model railroad was started in 2014 with the vision for an operations-based railroad on three levels in a basement with crew lounge. The B&O and WM RR is a north/south railroad from Johnstown to Rockwood and an east/west railroad from Cumberland to Pittsburgh with a Connellsville connection to the P&WV RR and a connection to the PRR north of Johnstown. Significant freight movement occurs on the Cumberland & Lake Erie RR as well on two steel railroads: Bethlehem Steel (Conemaugh and Blacklick RR), and the US Steel RR (Johnstown and Stoney Creek RR). The railroad is a double main with two sections of single, signaled track with 350' main. For full operations, we like to have a minimum of 6 to 8-road crew and 10-yard crew. For smaller crew sessions I can operate just coal and/or freight movement with 6 to 8 crew. The railroad has 15 coal mines, 2 coke plants, 6 power plants, 4 logging runs, gravel and sand pits, cement plant, paper plant, multiple oil depots, and multiple lumber yards. The staging yards hold up to 16 trains, the Cumberland yard can store 7 to 10 trains (loop) and the Pittsburgh (Connellsville) yard (stub-ended) can hold 10 trains of 16 to 40 cars in length.