

## Andrew Dodge's Engine House on Boreas Pass



In 1882, the Denver, South Park & Pacific Railroad was in the process of building a stone engine facility on Boreas Pass on their new mainline between Como and Leadville, Colorado. Due to the need to serve helpers and the harsh winter conditions, the building featured a coal dock, a water tank, and a covered turntable all under one roof.

The On3 model is constructed of individual plaster blocks mounted on a Plexiglas base. Since the building was not completed until 1883, the model depicts the structure in the fall of 1882 but with all the interior amenities in place and functional. During operations, crews would uncouple the helpers from their train and run the locomotive onto the turntable so it could be turned for the trip back to Como.  
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