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All products HO Scale Accurail kits.

Specializing in custom decorated HO Scale Accurail kits in elaborate paint schemes and multiple road numbers. Since 2000, Digital Fox has decorated over three dozen custom projects.

## CONDITIONAIRE COVERED HOPPERS

Conditionaires were based on ACF's Center-Flow 3-Bay 4600 cu.ft. covered hoppers. Insulated and air-conditioned for bulk transport of perishable produce, the car's steel exteriors were coated on the outside with polyurethane insulating foam. This special coating is modelled on this custom-decorated Accurail kit with a special texture paint, then painted and printed with the appropriate markings.

Other Conditionaires custom printed by Digital Fox are:

Northern Pacific "Old Dutch Foods"

Northern Pacific series 419910-419960

## **Burlington Northern**

AIR-CONDITIONED CENTER FLOW CAR MAINTAINS QUALITY OF BULK PRODUCE

An air-conditioned insulated covered hopper car for bulk transport of perishables has been announced by John S. Carlson, vice president of ACF Industries and general manager of the Shippers Car Line division. Features of the new car are:

Precise, self-contained temperature and humidity control to maintain product quality

 Greater payload, more than three times that offered by other car types now used for bulk shipment

Fast loading and unloading without harming the product

—Versatility in carrying commodities other than perishables The prototype Center Flow Conditionaire has a 4600 cubic foot capacity and is 55 feet 5 inches long (over strikers), 10 feet 8 inches wide and 15 feet 1 inch high. Payload is 180,000 pounds, compared with the usual maximum 55,000-pound capacity of refrigerator and ice bunker cars now used in this service.

The foam insulation on Conditionaires did not hold up well over the years and their appearance has been described as a "rolling nightmare"







Burlington Northern Conditionaires were formerly Northern Pacific Hoppers Renumbered to Series 453000-453060

Northern Pacific Number Series 419910-419960. Conditionaires were often used in produce service for hauling potatoes, carrots, or beets, as well as oranges and other citrus.