

Going BIG

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IMPORTANT NOTES:

- * O scale is not just twice HO, it is 181.5 times HO scale, so the volume of O scale is nearly 8 times HO scale.
- * When track planning in O/P48, stop thinking in 'HO scale terms'.
 - * Use the largest number turnouts you can.
 - * Avoid overly compressing space, track, and structures.
 - * Use the largest curves you can.
- * When building modular layouts, repetition is important to be able to achieve.
- * Track height makes a difference.
- * Dead-rail is possible in O scale more easily than in HO.
- * "Real" Couplers are an option.
- * No matter what the prototype, there are options in O scale for modeling it.
- * Existing benchwork in another scale doesn't have to be discarded.
- * Pre-Depression modeling is no harder in O than it is in any other scale.
- * Modern materials and techniques make modeling in any scale easier.
- * The cost of modeling in O is not necessarily more than modeling in HO. The 'bites' might be bigger, but the overall cost is likely to, at worst, be a wash.
- * You may need less equipment for modeling in O scale!

LINKS:

My Blog

www.trainmodeler.com

Jack Burgess' Yosemite Valley Railroad

www.yosemitevalleyrr.com

Proto48 Modeler

www.proto48.org

A history of Proto:48

https://www.proto48.org/p48_information.htm

The O Scale Resource Magazine

www.oscaleresource.com

Resin Car Works Blog (waybills)

blog.resincarworks.com/resources/

Gene Deimling's Proto48 Blog

myp49.wordpress.com

Eric Hansmann's Blog

designbuildop.hansmanns.org

Resin Manufacturers in O Scale

<http://www.shamokindivision.com/proto48o-scale-model-information/resin-model-manufacturers/>

REQUIRED READING:

"Adapting to a Larger Scale" by Jeff Kraker. - Model Railroad Planning 2016

"365 Day Progress Report" by Andrew Dodge. - Model Railroad Planning 2015

"The not-so-direct journey back to O scale" by David Barrow. - Model Railroad Planning 2018

Blog - United States Military Railroads.

www.usmrr.blogspot.com

"A High-Tech History Lesson" by Bernard Kempinski. - Model Railroader, October 2019

Blog - Gene's P48 Blog. [https://](https://myp48.wordpress.com)

myp48.wordpress.com

Magazine - O Scale Resource - [http://](http://oscaleresource.com/WP/)

oscaleresource.com/WP/

Resources and Blog - OST Publications -

<http://www.ostpubs.com>

"P48: Is it for you?" - OST Publications.

<http://www.ostpubs.com/p48-is-it-for-you/>

"Trains to Yosemite" by Jack Burgess

Blog - *"Notes on Designing, Building, and Operating Model Railroads"* by Eric Hansmann.

[https://](https://designbuildop.hansmanns.org)
designbuildop.hansmanns.org

"Edendale Creek Diorama in P48" by Jack Burgess. MRH Magazine. April & May 2016.