Santa Fe's EB First District Local

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To all:

It's time to start work on a new train, and this week it's Santa Fe's eastbound First District Local. (We'll do the WB version another time.) Here is what Don Borden has in his spreadsheet of trains (plus a little extra info added):

Train: ATSF's Eastbound First District Local

Direction: Eastbound only. (There was a daily westbound version too.)

Description: Sante Fe Local to Victorville / Barstow. About a dozen +/- hoppers and Bx-11 and 12's.

Origin: San Bernardino.

Destination: Victorville and Barstow.

Railroads Represented: ATSF.

Products: Empty cement covered hoppers, boxcars of supplies.

Train Length and Weight: TBD (relatively short, about a dozen cars).

Car Types: Cement hoppers and Bx-11 and Bx-12's w/ roof hatches.

Typical Schedule: TBD.

Road Power: TBD.

Helper Power: Not needed (?).

Operations Details:

Empty SFRD cement covered hoppers and supply boxcars to cement factories, returning the next day with full hoppers and boxcars full of bagged cement.

Modeling the Train: TBD.

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It will be an interesting project to learn all about this train and when it stopped running. If you have some information on this, please send it in.

Thanks, John Thompson