

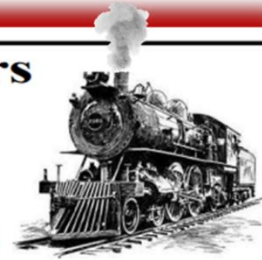


Maricopa Live Steamers

STACK TALK

May 2026

The official newsletter of the Adobe Mountain Railroad in Phoenix, Arizona, Operated by the Maricopa Live Steamers Railroad Heritage Preservation Society.



MORE NEW TRACK!

We continue to make great progress replacing our old track with new track. We have recently completed another section on Bobberg. The track in Who Nose Wye has been replaced from the north switch to the south switch.

The track on the main between the east switch on Who Nose Wye and Joshua Junction has also been replaced. Both spurs on this section of the main were also replaced.

I want to thank all those who came out to help with this project to get it done so efficiently. Please check out the pictures to see how much work got done.

Starting Friday May 1, 2026, East Werner track between Wilson Bridge and the east switch at Fisher will be removed for replacement and re-alignment. The Shortline bypass will also be replaced. For those with containers, you can use existing track to go east on Werner to access other subdivisions. You can also use the Knorrtown spur onto Farflung. We will proceed as quickly as possible to get this important route back in service.

We have come to the end of our current public running season. Thank you to all members that come out each Sunday to run trains for our guests.

On Saturday, May 9th, following the 12 noon Membership Meeting, the MLS Board of Directors will be hosting the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon. We thank everyone who gives their time and energy to keep our club up and running. Please come and enjoy!

Let's all thank Donna for painting the water tank in the main yard. It sure looks great!!

Larry Kirchner
President, MLS





As all of you know, Larry and the track crew have been working hard to get the track in working order. So please come out and give a hand. That being said, we've been seeing more snakes out this year so please be careful out there .

Also, summer is here, so please keep water with you at all times. And if you are out on the track, make sure you let people know you're out there.

Public train rides have stopped for this spring season and I thank all that have helped out with the rides.

Believe it or not it's time to meet and talk about Christmas rides this year. We will be having a meeting next Saturday at 900am in the club house to go over plans for this year. Please come and help!

Don't forget engineer test are due by the end of May as per our rules. All are required to pass the test to run on the railroad.

Thank you

Pete Pennarts, Vice President



As the season has now come to a close, our public runs have concluded until October. Hank and I would like to thank everyone who volunteered their time and effort to make this season a success.

We are considering hosting a few special events or pop-ups over the off-season, weather permitting, so please stay tuned for updates. Suggestions are always welcome.

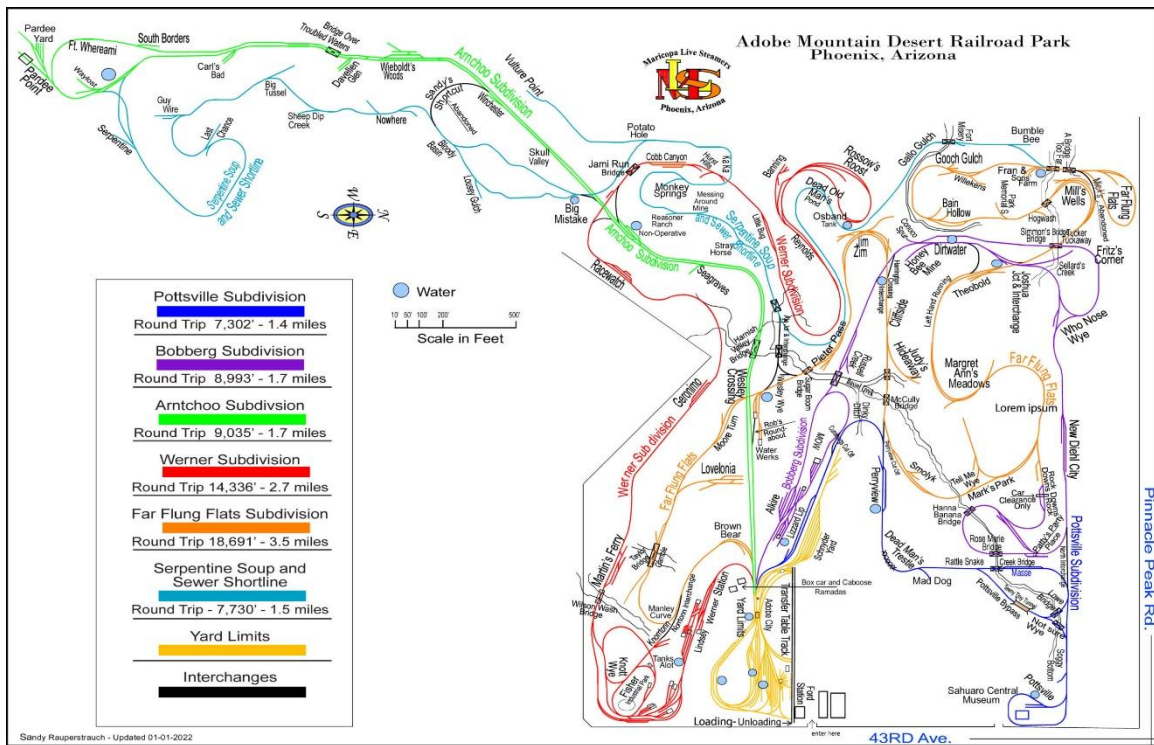
If you are waiting on anything from me, such as a donation acknowledgment letter or a reimbursement, it is possible I am not aware of it. Please do not hesitate to reach out so I can follow up promptly.

I can be contacted at treasurer@maricopalivesteamers.com or on my mobile at 602-321-9702.

Dave Pulver, Treasurer



Take a look at all the great new trackwork:

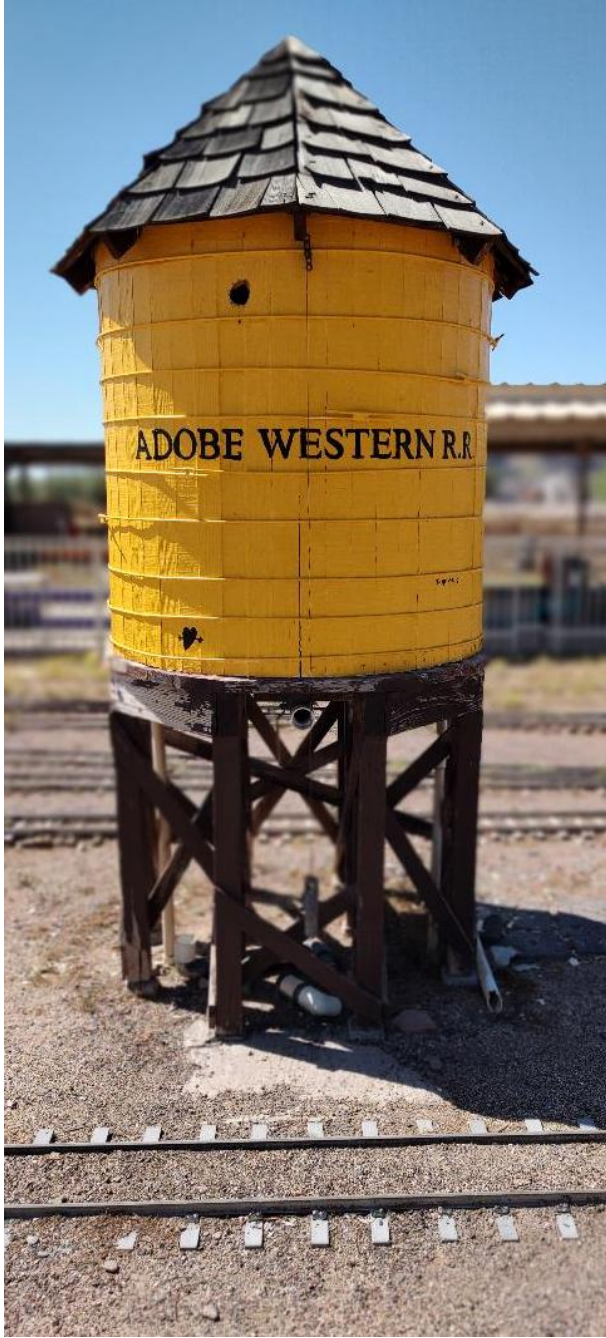


2022 MAP - A DOWNLOAD VERSION IS ON THE MLS WEBSITE







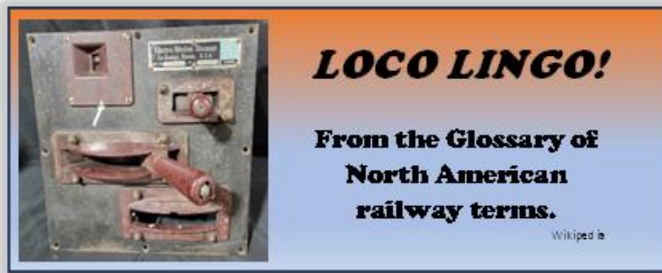






*Some happy faces from a galaxy far far away...
enjoying the final spring rides:*





What is:

“Going to beans” **



Due to very dry conditions, only propane or oil-fired steam locomotives may be operated until the fire ban is lifted. No coal or wood fuel. If you plan to run your steam locomotive during the fire ban period, please have a fire extinguisher with you at all times while running.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



TEST YOUR ENGINEERING KNOWLEDGE:

1. Who is ultimately responsible for the safe operation of the train? (210.4) *

- A. The Engineer.
- B. The Safety Committee.
- C. The Stationmaster.
- D. The Conductor.



This is Tommy Mollenhour and "JR" doing a service project for their church. Great job and very much appreciated!



Saturday, May 2, 2026:

Christmas Lights Meeting 9:00 am

Saturday, May 9, 2026:

BOD Meeting 11:00 AM

General MLS Membership Meeting 12 noon

Appreciation Luncheon – following General Meeting

May – Engineering Test is Due for all train operators



FYI Note:

Please check the parking lot before locking the gate to be sure it is empty. We have had several instances where the gate is being locked with AMRS members still there.

Thanks,

Steven David

Treasurer, Sahuaro Central

N Scale member (and one of them who has been locked in), AMRS



Thank you for all your MLS club support!
Send photos and suggestions to: stanfm@aol.com
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Facebook page MLS Public Rides to ***stay informed!***

****(A.) The Engineer.***

***** Taking a break from work to eat.***