UP "Big Boy"

REAR VIEW

HALF SECTION THROUGH BOLSTER

HALF SECTION THROUGH FIXED WHEEL

FRONT VIEW

TOP VIEW

MODEL RAILROADER
In 1941, the UP started taking delivery of the first of 25 single-expansion articulated locomotives of the 4-8-8-4 wheel arrangement. Aptly named “Big Boy,” these 7000 h.p. 386-ton engines were the heaviest and biggest simple articulateds ever built. They were designed to haul maximum tonnage over the Wasatch mountains, where the ruling grade is 1.14 per cent, without a helper. Capable of operating anywhere on the UP, these engines can hit 80 m.p.h. and produce continuous maximum power at 70 m.p.h. HO gauge can use many Bowser Challenger parts to build this locomotive.

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