

Decal Instructions

HO Decals for Cannon & Co NP Boxcars

This document provides some pictorial assistance to help the modeler place the various decal elements for these two kits:

FC-4015 NP 5300-5699 50' combo-door boxcar

FC-4020 NP 3764-3999 & NP 5000-5299 combo-door boxcar

The decals are appropriate for these cars that operated in the 1960s, 1970s and 1980s. Reweigh dates cover 1964 to 1981. The decals were painstakingly researched and reproduced with artwork developed by Rick Leach, with additional car-specific artwork by Dean O'Neill. The packaging includes guidance on how to apply the water slide decals, which were printed by Microscale.

The first page is a full page reproduction of the actual sheet at full/complete resolution, so you can zoom in using Adobe Acrobat to the finest detail. This will help locate all the elements on the page, which is divided into areas. Sides are on the main area, the 1969 Cascade Green repaint is roughly on the bottom, and the end details for all cars are on the lower right.

The second page includes images of all three paint schemes supported, and a rendering showing where all the elements go on the car.

NOTE – for the large Monad and the jumbo “NP” letters, there are a series of “rib” elements, and “panel” elements. It’s recommended that you start with the center rib element and place it vertically where you want it, then do the two next panel elements on either side, then the next two ribs, and final panels. Essentially working your way out from the center. That’s what worked in the test decal pilot, your mileage might vary. This is not an “easy” decal project, so all the common advice applies – take your time and plan your next few steps carefully. Note that you can print out the second page and do test fittings on the model with paper cut-outs.

Enjoy!

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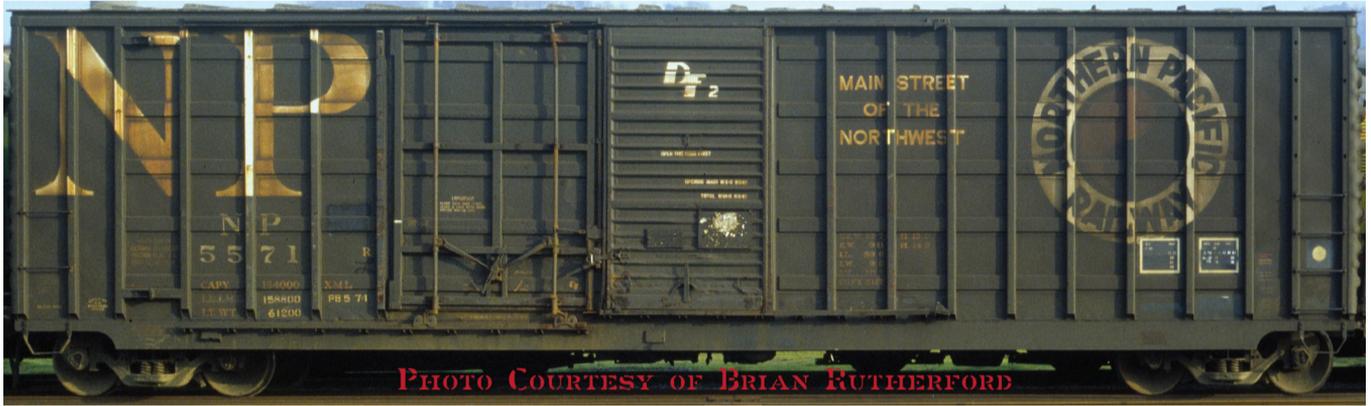
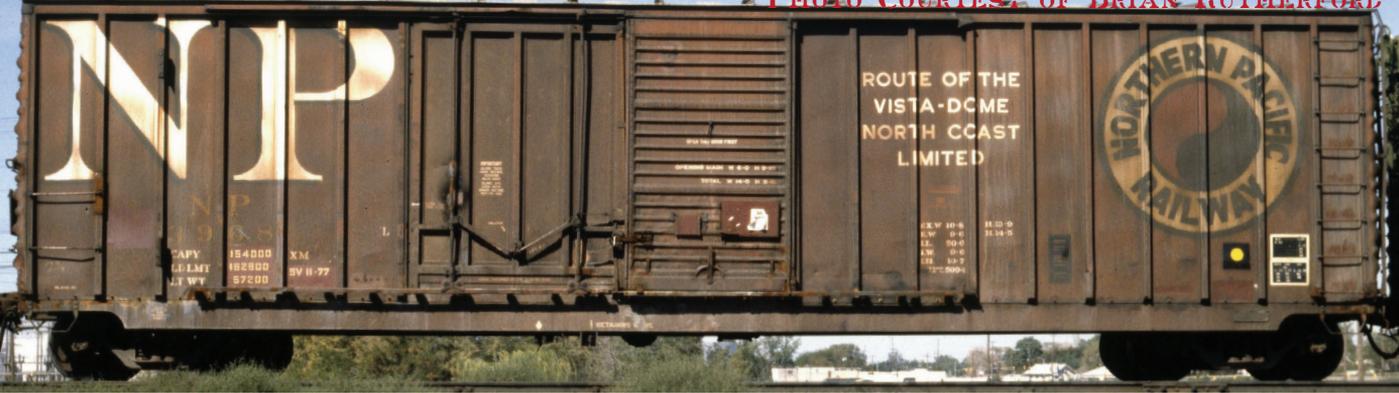


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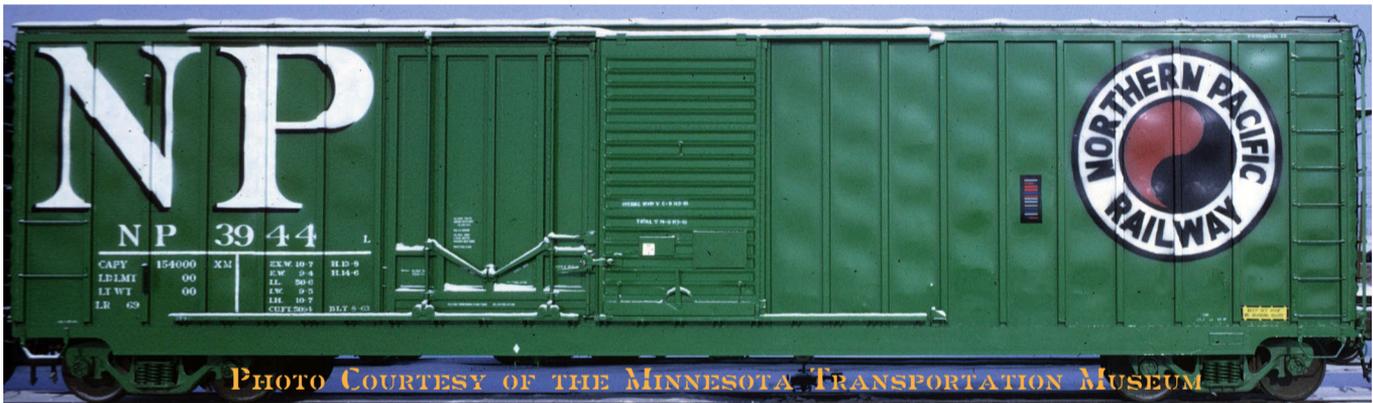


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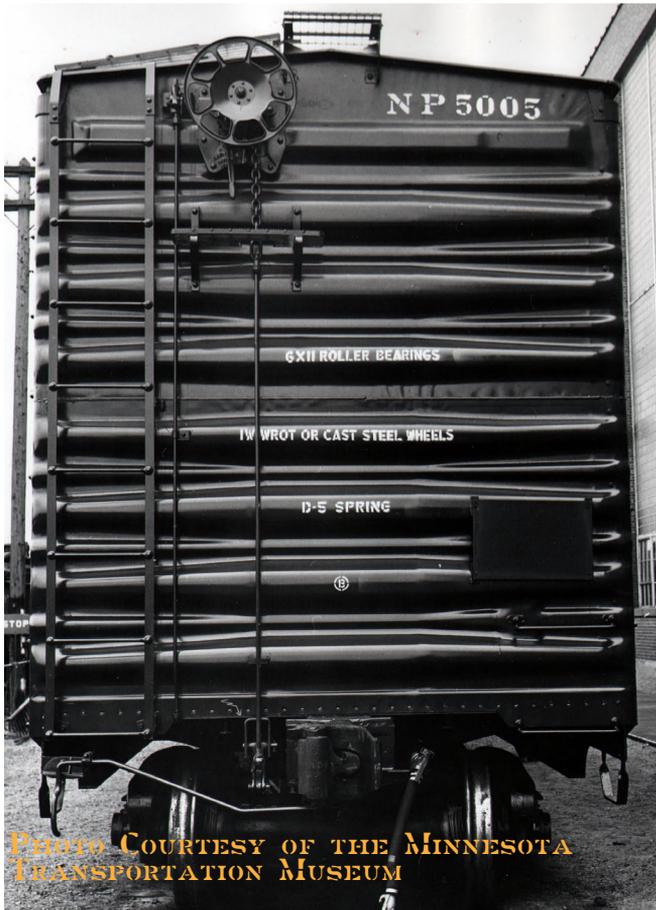
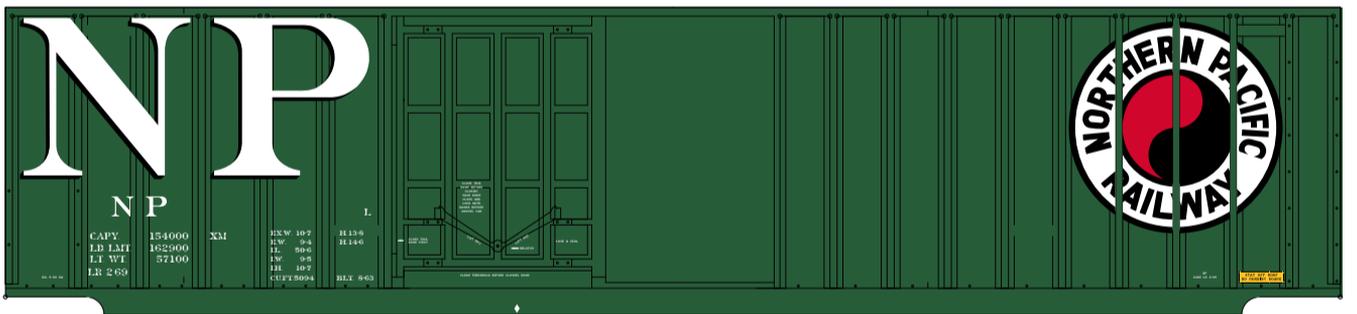


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