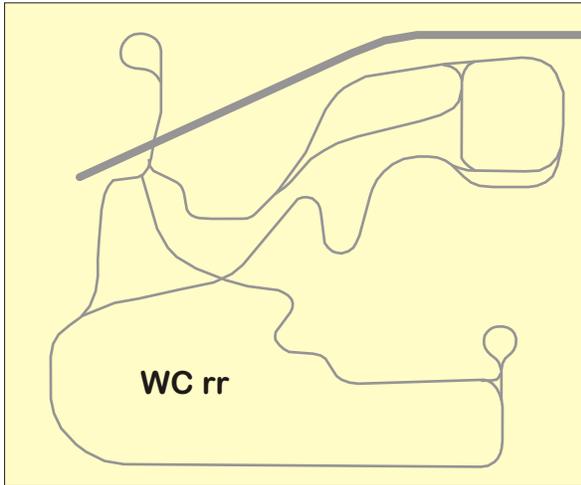


Egner Rd



~ 1 3/4 mi to Muskegon

Traverse City
Cadillac

In "Nearby" Towns....

- To the east, Lansing is a pretty good railfan town, plenty to see.... couple of depot's, couple of yards..
- A little farther east is Durand, with a magnificent depot, a small yard, and an engine on display..
- North of Durand is Owasso with a small yard..
- To the south is Kalamazoo.... Amtrak station, diamond, and tower..
- A little east of there is Battle Creek.... with an Amtrak station and Kellogg's..
- A little further east is Jackson with a forlorn looking little station..
- And if you're heading to or from Detroit, stop by Ann Arbor where they have a nice looking depot! (the Ann Arbor RR itself is down in Toledo)

Lodging and Food....

When I used to go to Grand Rapids on business, I stayed on 28th St SE, off of I96 exit 43. It's on the east side of town. There are numerous hotel choices, but I settled on staying at the Quality Inn because they had decent rates and provided a full breakfast bar with the room. 28th St has just about everything on it.

Other Railroad Stuff To See....

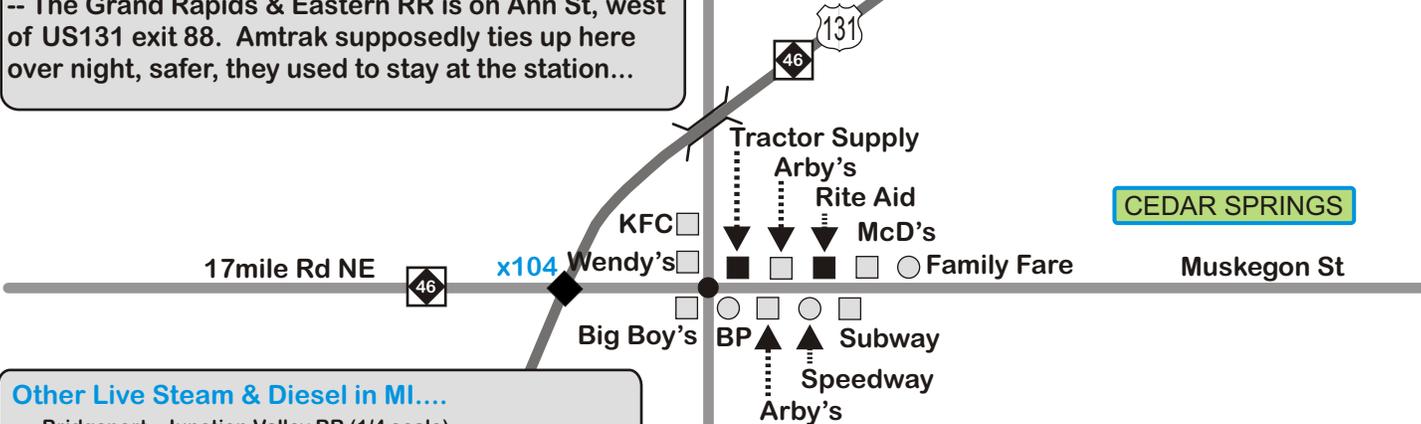
- Both CSX and NS have a yard in town....
- CSX's Wyoming Yard is off of Market Ave SW, and then Freeman (just down from the Amtrak station), one source says to railfan from the deadend of Judd,
- NS's Hughart yard is between exit 82 and 83 on the east side of US131,
- The Grand Rapids & Eastern RR is on Ann St, west of US131 exit 88. Amtrak supposedly ties up here over night, safer, they used to stay at the station...

Other Live Steam & Diesel in MI....

- Bridgeport - Junction Valley RR (1/4 scale)
- Battle Creek - Sandy Ridge & Clear Lake Rwy (priv)
- Traverse City - Spirit of Traverse City 4-4-0 Steamer
- Metamora - PRR, Pine Creek Subdivision (priv) *
- Metamora - Michigan Centrall RR (priv) *
- Kalamazoo - Mid MI RR Club (priv) *
- Lake Orion - MI Small Scale Live Steamers (priv) *
- Ann Arbor - Huron Valley Live Steamers (priv) *
- Royal Oak - Great Lakes Live Steamers *

Check **Live Steam** magazine for info on most (*) of the above

White Creek Ave



CEDAR SPRINGS

Yet More Stuff To See....

- I didn't get a chance to check it out on my latest trip, but CSX had not painted over a great Chessie System insignia on a girder bridge over Patterson Ave when I was there 3 years ago.
- The Amtrak station is at Wealthy and Market near the downtown area, just north of a CSX wye.
- And for what it's worth, Amway has their HQ over in Ada.
- If you get over that far, they have a really nice covered bridge in a park somewhere in Ada.

Grand Rapids
15mi to I96