Chapter 13 - Basic Passenger Train Operations

So far, we've concentrated on the freight side of operations. In this chapter we'll look at passenger train operations and set up a simple train.

A passenger train is in most respects, just another train. There are a few areas where a passenger train differs from a freight train:

- A passenger train may have a fixed consist (i.e. cars are 'permanently' assigned to a train) or a variable consist (i.e. cars are picked up and/or dropped off as the train travels).
- The passenger train does not operate through a town's yard (ex: ACT-Yd), but rather through the passenger station (remember when we set up the passenger station in Chapter 6?). The "-01" station $^{(1)}$ is for passenger trains exactly as the "-Yd" is for freight. The "01" is not a single track but represents an infinite number of tracks. Note that for smaller stations there may not be a separate station track. The "01" SPOT will simply be the location on the main line where the train will stop for the 5 or so minutes it takes to unload and load passengers before departing for the next station.
- Like a freight, a passenger train needs a schedule (remember the schedules we discussed in chapter 12). Since they are operating on the same track as freights, they must fit into the overall schedule of the railroad.
- Passenger cars only need a waybill if the car is to be picked up and/or dropped off. If a passenger car is permanently assigned to a train it does not need a wavbill.
- Car orders are only used when cars are picked up and dropped off and are only needed if you wish to introduce variability to a train's consist. For instance you may wish to have a diner on the train Monday through Friday only.
- Passenger cars must have their own default location (remember setting) the default yard in Chapter 7?).

IMPORTANT: Freight and passenger cars must not use the same SPOTs or inadvertent mixing of cars ⁽²⁾ will occur – freight cars will be assigned to passenger trains and vice-versa (use Help/Check Passenger Traffic to identify any such cases).

¹ While we have used the term "station" here, a "01" is more than just a station. It is a place where passenger trains can report and/or where passenger trains can exchange cars.² The subject of mixed trains is an advanced topic and will be covered in a later portion of the

manual.

We're going to set up a simple passenger train which will originate in Castle Rock, proceed to Berwick then Actonvale picking up passengers along the way. From Actonvale it will proceed to the STL03s staging track where it will lay over for several hours, turn and return to Castle Rock stopping at Actonvale and Berwick on the way. This allows folks in the smaller communities of Castle Rock Berwick and Actonvale to spend the day in the "Big City".

Additional Passenger Stations

If you remember in Chapter 6 we set up a passenger station at Actonvale. We need to make a couple of adjustments. Both the track length and siding radius are too small and will cause us problems.

1. On the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Traffic" then select "Customers from the dropdown list. A window like Figure 13-1 will appear.

No.	Firm name	City/State	Siding name	SPOT	Capacity	Occ	Switching train	Blk#
1	Actonvale Station	Actonvale		ACT-01	5 PAX			
2	Weigh scale	Actonvale	weigh scale	ACT08z	Cars: 2	0	202	22
3	Team track	Actonvale	team track	ACT-14	Cars: 2	0	202	19
4	Twin State Fruit	Actonvale	door spot	ACT17a	Cars: 1	0	202	F-2
5	Twin State Fruit	Actonvale	platform loading	ACT17b	Cars: 1	0	202	F-5
6	ACT Yard	Actonvale		ACT-Yd	5 tracks			
7	Wilson & Sons Scrap Metal	Berwick	scrap iron /40211	BER-11	Cars: 3	2	202	29
8	North Star Eng. Lmbr	Berwick		BER-10	Cars: 4	1	202	F-32
9	reporting point	Berwick	set off track	BER02y	Cars: 0	0		
10	Ideal Cement	Castle Rock		CAS-10	Cars: 2	0	202	34
11	Northern Forest Indust.	Castle Rock		CAS-11	Cars: 4	2	202	35
12	Pioneer Ag Services	Castle Rock	Agri-Center	CAS12a	Cars: 3	0	202	37
13	Pioneer Ag Services	Castle Rock	Elevator	CAS12b	Cars: 3	0	202	38
14	Comfort Fuels	Castle Rock		CAS-13	Cars: 2	1	202	39
15	reporting point	Castle Rock	set off track	CAS02y	Cars: 0	0		

Figure 13-1

2. Double-click on the first entry – "Actonvale Station" and a window like Figure 13-2 will appear.

Industry name Act	ProTrak Industri	Industry name Actonvale Station	es (All states)	
City, State/Prov Act	### Spot	City, State/Prov Actonvale	Firm	City
City, State/Prov Act Siding SPOT ACT Track length 100 Siding radius 22 Switching railroad Railroad subdivision Passenger Traffi Population served Estimated ridership	### Spot 3 ACT.14 4 ACT17a 5 ACT.14 4 ACT17a 5 ACT.17b 7 BER.10 10 CAS.10 11 CAS.11 12 CAS12a 13 CAS12b 14 CAS.13 16 STLM3s 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 Specif Show Specif	City, State/Prov Actonvale Siding SPOT ACT 01 appears as ACT-01 Track length 100 feet Clearance Plate C Siding radius 22 inches. Max. car length 62 feet Switching railroad PR0 Railroad subdivision Middle Passenger Traffic Population served 500 - 1,000 people Estimated ridership 5 people per day	Firm Team track Twin State F Twin State F Wilson & Son North Star E Ideal Cement Wilkins Fore Pioneer Ag S Pioneer Ag S Comfort Fuel Anglo-Americ Arthur Farme BASF Wya Bay State Mi Shurtleff Worthington J.M. Huber Mazda Internationa Canada Pa Cominco Chipman ICI Safeway Fo Canada Malti Haines-Robin Duroot Can	City Actonvale Actonvale Datform Ic Berwick Estwick Castle Ro Castle Ro Castle Ro Castle Ro Elevator Castle Ro Castle Ro Castl

Figure 13-2

- 3. Look at the data field "Track length". If we have four or five 85 foot passenger cars, it is obvious that a track length of 100 feet in insufficient. Click on the "Track length" data field and change it to 1000 ⁽³⁾.
- 4. Similarly, look at the information displayed beside the "Siding Radius" data field. It shows the maximum car length that can be handled is 62 feet. We need to change that. Click on the "Siding Radius" data field and change the radius value to 33.
- 5. Click "on" OK" to save the changes and close the "Changing Customer..." window.

Now that we've adjusted the track length and siding radius values, we can use the Actonvale Station to add similar passenger stations at both Berwick and Castle Rock.

³ While we have only defined one track, ProTrak assumes you know what you are doing and if so directed will send more than one train to a station. The assumption is that there are multiple tracks at the station.

- 1. **Single click** on the first entry in the "Customers and Loading Points" window the one marked Actonvale Station. Since this is a passenger station, we can copy this and make changes as appropriate.
- 2. On the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Edit" then select "Copy an online customer" from the dropdown list. At this point a window like the one in Figure 13-3 will appear. Except for the customer number, this obviously is identical to the window shown in Figure 13-2.

Spot ACT-14 ACT17a ACT17b BER-11 BER-10 CAS-10 CAS-11 CAS12b CAS-13 STLM3s	Firm Team track Twin State F Twin State F Wilson & Son North Star E Ideal Cement Wilkins Fore Pioneer Ag S Pioneer Ag S Comfort Fuel	City Actonvale Actonvale platform lc Berwick Castle Ro Castle Ro Castle Ro Castle Ro Elevator
ACT-14 ACT17a ACT17b BER-11 BER-10 CAS-10 CAS-10 CAS-11 CAS12a CAS12b CAS-13 STLM3s	Team track Twin State F Twin State F Wilson & Son North Star E Ideal Cement Wilkins Fore Pioneer Ag S Pioneer Ag S Comfort Fuel	Actonvale Actonvale platform lc Berwick Berwick Castle Ro Castle Ro Castle Ro Elevator
CAS-13 STLM3s	Comfort Fuel	Elevator
	Anglo-Americ Arthur Farme BASF Wya Bay State Mi Shurtleff	Castle Ro
	Worthington J.M. Huber Mazda Internationa Canada Pa Cominco Chipman ICI Safeway Fo Canada Malti Haines-Robin Dupont Can	,GA ,MI ,MN Calgary, A Calgary, A Calgary, A Calgary, A Calgary, A Calgary, A Calgary, A
	Specific	Chipman IU Safeway Fo Canada Malti Haines-Robin Dupont Can III Specific State Check for Manual Data Ent

Figure 13-3

- 3. We'll make the following changes:
 - a) Change the "Industry Name" data field to read "Berwick Station"
 - b) Change the "City, State/Prov." Data field to read "Berwick" (Click in the data field then double click on "Berwick in the right hand panel).
 - c) If you wish you can change the "Population served" and "Estimated ridership" data fields.

Make sure to leave the Track length and Siding radius data fields unchanged (1000 and 33 respectively).

- 4. Once all the changes have been made, click on "OK". You may get the messages about correcting SPOTs and waybills. Click on "Yes" to allow ProTrak to check and correct any waybills and SPOTs in error.
- 5. Repeat steps 1 through 4 for Castle Rock.
- 6. You should now see a window which looks like Figure 13-4 although the entry "5 PAX" will differ if you changed the "Estimated ridership" data field.

No.	Firm name	City/State	Siding name	SPOT	Capacity	Occ	Switching train	Blk#
1	Actonvale Station	Actonvale		ACT-01	5 PAX			1
2	Weigh scale	Actonvale	weigh scale	ACT08z	Cars: 2	0	202	22
3	Team track	Actonvale	team track	ACT-14	Cars: 2	0	202	19
4	Twin State Fruit	Actonvale	door spot	ACT17a	Cars: 1	0	202	F-2
5	Twin State Fruit	Actonvale	platform loading	ACT17b	Cars: 1	0	202	F-5
6	ACT Yard	Actonvale		ACT-Yd	5 tracks			
7	Wilson & Sons Scrap Metal	Berwick	scrap iron /40211	BER-11	Cars: 3	2	202	29
8	North Star Eng. Lmbr	Berwick		BER-10	Cars: 4	1	202	F-32
9	reporting point	Berwick	set off track	BER02y	Cars: 0	0		
10	Ideal Cement	Castle Rock		CAS-10	Cars: 2	0	202	34
11	Northern Forest Indust.	Castle Rock		CAS-11	Cars: 4	2	202	35
12	Pioneer Ag Services	Castle Rock	Agri-Center	CAS12a	Cars: 3	0	202	37
13	Pioneer Ag Services	Castle Rock	Elevator	CAS12b	Cars: 3	0	202	38
14	Comfort Fuels	Castle Rock		CAS-13	Cars: 2	1	202	39
15	reporting point	Castle Rock	set off track	CAS02y	Cars: 0	0		
16	Berwick Station	Berwick		BER-01	5 PAX			
17	Castle Rock Station	Castle Rock		CAS-01	5 PAX			

Figure 13-4

Setting the Default Location for Passenger Cars

As was alluded to earlier, passenger cars require a default location which is different than that used by freight cars. The first thing we need to do is to define a new 'industry' then define that location as the default location for our passenger cars.

1. We'll create a customer at Castle Rock called "Coach Yard". From the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Edit" then select "New online customer" from the dropdown list. A window like figure 13-5 will appear.

dustry name New	ProT	ak/UFC L	adings	
ity, State/Prov	###	STCC	Lading	^
	1	2818106	1-2 Dibromoethane	-
appears as	2	4909166	1-2 dichloroethane	
rack length 200 feet Clearance Plate U 👻	3	4907230	2 methyl butadiene	
	4	2039191	203 mixed loads	
iding radius 30 inches. Max. car length 85 feet	5	490/412	3 chloropropene	
	6	3291220	abrasive paper	
	6	3291115	abrasives	
iding name/commodity	8	35/4141	accounting machines	
	10	4907210	acetaldenyde	
witching railroad	11	4931401	acetic acio	
aikaad aubdivision	12	4021204	acetic annyuliu	
	12	4909105	acetore	
witching train no service 👻 Cars blocked at 🔍 👻	14	4921401	acetone cuanobudrin	
	15	2813210	acetulene das	
railing point switch, or switched in either direction 📀	16	3569121	acetulene generators	
	17	3241220	acid-proof cement	
acing point switch, switched by turn on return trip	18	2818101	acrolein inhibited	
	19	4906810	acrylonitrile	
	20	2941245	additives fuel	
	21	2891111	adhesives	
umber of cars at this SPOT O , or O feet	22	2828	adipic acid	
	23	3993232	adv. signs, non-elec	
urrently loading/unloading in 0 hours	24	3423636	agricultural tools	
	25	3599942	air cleaner	
	26	3585757	air conditioning eq	
	<		(III)	>
	Show		Special	
	SHOW	JICC	o pecial	
	Unc Unc	heck for h	lanual Data Entry 🛰	
	Louise -			
	Cancel			OK
	Cancel			DIV

Figure 13-5

2. The first thing we need to do is set up the "Siding name/commodity" field. Single-click on the "Siding name/commodity" data field, then click on the "Special" radio button at the bottom of the right-hand panel. A window like the one in Figure 13-6 will appear.

🕸 Changing customer: 18 of: 18		
Industry name New	Special Tracks	
City, State/Prov	### Function	
Siding SPOT appears as Track length 200 feet Clearance Plate Siding radius 30 inches. Max. car length 85 feet	1 no function 2 3 3 Freight car service 4 Cattle feed and rest 5 Feed and rest 6 Livestock rest 7 Hogs: Hog wash	
Siding name/commodity Switching railroad Railroad subdivision	8 Hog cooling 9 Icing track 10 Icing platform 11 Mechanical refueling 12 Mechanical service	
Switching train no service Cars blocked at Trailing point switch, or switched in either direction Facing point switch, switched by turn on return trip	13 Special Customers 14 LCL freighthouse 15 cars re-load at specified time 16 Transfer to narrow gage 17 Transfer from narrow gage 18 For exact car length 19 door 20 shed 21 warehouse	
Number of cars at this SPUT U , or U feet Currently loading/unloading in 0 hours	22 nopper grate 23 24 Passenger car home points 25 coach 26 diner	
	Show Commodity Special Uncheck for Manual Data Entry Cancel	

Figure 13-6

3. As you can see, the right hand panel contains a list of special siding names (or partial names) that are recognized by ProTrak which treats them in a distinctive fashion depending on the name. We'll double click on the entry "coach..." (entry 25 in window 13-6) ⁽⁴⁾.

⁴ The "coach..." entry means the "..." can be replaced by any word or phrase. ProTrak is looking for a siding name starting with the word "coach". "Coach Yard", "coach tracks" and "Coach Cleaning" would all be acceptable. The word "coach" may have the first letter capitalized or not – ProTrak automatically converts any upper case "C" to a lower case "c" then makes the comparison.

The balance of the data fields are as we have done in the past:

- a. Industry Name:
- b. City, State/Prov.
- c. Siding SPOT
- d. Track length
- e. Siding radius
- f. Switching Railroad
- g. Switching Train
- h. Cars blocked at

Castle Rock Coach Yard Castle Rock CAS-40 1000 33 ProTrak Demonstrator leave as "no service" 1

All of the remaining fields can be left unchanged. Figure 13-7 shows what the "Changing Customer...." window should look like.

lousity hand Lastie Rock Loach Faid	-	-		y
ity, State/Prov Castle Bock	###	Spot	Firm	City
	3	ACT-14	Team track	Actonvale
iding SPUT CAS 40 appears as LAS-40	4	ACT17a	Twin State F	Actonvale
rack length 1000 feet Clearance Plate U 👻	5	ACT175	Twin State F	platform Ic
internet and the	6	BER-II	Wilson & Son	Berwick
iding radius 33 inches. Max. car length 93 reet	10	CAS-10	Ideal Cement	Castle Bo
	11	CAS-10	Wilkins Fore	Castle Bo
	12	CAS12a	Pioneer Ad S	Castle Bo
ding name/commodity coach	13	CAS12b	Pioneer Aa S	Elevator
witching railroad DBO	14	CAS-13	Comfort Fuel	Castle Ro
	18		New	
ailroad subdivision	19	STLM3s	Anglo-Americ	
Achieve week	20		Arthur Farme	
witching train no service Lars Diocked at	21		BASF Wya	
railing point switch, or switched in either direction	22		Bay State Mi	
	23		Shurtleff	
acing point switch, switched by turn on return trip 🦷 👘	24		I.M. Huber	GA
	26		Mazda	MI
Other switching trains	27		Internationa	MN
	28		Hub City Fee	Aberdeen
umber of cars at this SPOT O , or O feet	29		Federal Pape	Acme, NC
	30		Acton Limest	Acton, ON
urrently loading/unloading in 0 hours	31		SidRichardso	Addis, LA
	32		Dunlop Can	Ajax, ON 🚬
	33		Phelos-Dod	Ain AZ
			12	
	Show	Specific	: State	

Figure 13-7

4. Before we finalize this new customer, let's go back and look at the "Siding name/commodity" data field. As was noted in the footnote when we first look at the 'special' names, the "..." in the 'special' siding name can be replaced by any word or phrase. Let's make the siding name more meaningful. Click in the "Siding name/commodity" data field; erase the "..." and type in the word "yard". Make sure there is a space between the words "coach" and "yard". The siding name should now read "coach yard"

and because ProTrak sees the word "coach" at the start of the name ProTrak knows that this is a passenger related track.

- 5. Click on "OK" to accept the new 'customer'.
- 6. Click on "Close" to close the "Customers and Loading Points" window.
- 7. Now that we have the coach yard set up as location CAS-40, we can set up the default passenger car location. On the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Administration" then select "SPOT Format and special SPOTs" from the dropdown list. A window like Figure 13-8 will appear.

Primary receiving track 98 "X", cleaning track used Yes N Primary delivery track 99 "Y", BIP track used Yes N Second delivery track 96 "Z", Weigh scales in use Yes N Default yard location ACT-Yd "S" is staging track "Y" is a yard track, or set out track A freight car's first location ACT-Yd "Y" is a lead track "Y" is a lead track Car ferry on main track A car ferry is use to move cars between stations on main track. Yes N Narrow Gage Subdivision Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision. Lading is transfered between cars. Yes N	Interd	hange track codes	100 <u>-</u>		Special spot codes	
Primary delivery track 99 Second receiving track 97 Second delivery track 96 Default yard location "z", Weigh scales in use A freight car's first location ACT-Yd A passenger car's first location ACT-01 Car ferry on main track "L" is a lead track A car ferry is use to move cars between stations on main track. Yes Narrow Gage Subdivision Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision. Lading is transfered between cars. Yes	Primar	y receiving track	98		"x", cleaning track used	🖲 Yes C N
Second receiving track 97 Second delivery track 96 Default yard location 96 A freight car's first location ACT-Yd A passenger car's first location ACT-Yd Y" is a yard track, or set out track "L" is a lead track Car ferry on main track A car ferry is use to move cars between stations on main track. Narrow Gage Subdivision Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision.	Primar	y delivery track	99			
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A car ferry is use to move cars between stations on main track. Narrow Gage Subdivision Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision. Lading is transfered between cars. Yes	∟ ⊢ Car fe	erry on main track -				
Narrow Gage Subdivision Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision. Lading is transfered between cars. C Yes C N	A car f	erry is use to move car	s between	stations	on main track.	C Yes C N
Railroad has a narrow gage subdivision. Lading is transfered between cars. C Yes C N	- Narro	w Gage Subdivisio	n			
	Railroa	ad has a narrow gage s	ubdivision	Lading	is transfered between cars.	C Yes C N

Figure 13-8

8. Click on the dropdown arrow beside the "A passenger car's first location" data field. You should see all of the "01" locations (ACT-01, etc) and also "CAS-40" which is what we will select. The reason we are able to see CAS-40 is because we selected "coach..." back in step 3 – now you know why we set the "Siding name..." data field to "coach..."

9. Before we can save this change, we need to click on "Unlock", click on "Yes" on the "Settings in use" window, and then click on "Apply" on the "SPOT or ZTS..." window.

The new default location for passenger cars has now been established.

Adding Passenger Cars

We've now got all the passenger stations set up, now we need to add some passenger cars. For our purposes, we'll assume that since this is a short local passenger train there no need for anything other than coaches on the train. Let's add the three coaches.

1. On the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Traffic" then select "Passenger cars" ⁽⁵⁾ from the dropdown list. A window like the one shown in Figure 13-9 will appear. This window should be familiar to you as it is the same one as was used to enter all of the freight cars in Chapters 7 and 12.

++	Lucitizata.	hlumhan	V in d	NC	L als		Contents	D-I	Line 1	Cash	Maul
#	Trittals	Number	Ninu	NU	Lyn	LULING	Contents	DUL		Spot	Nex

Figure 13-9

2. Click on the "Single New Car" button at the bottom of the window to open up a window similar to the one shown in Figure 13-10. Note that you may get a message about correcting SPOTs; if so click on "Yes"

⁵ Even though there is an entry in the dropdown list which reads "Freight and passenger cars", we will not use it. We will use the "Passenger cars" entry as it will display only the passenger cars on the railroad. Note that any car entered while in the "Passenger cars" window will subsequently appear when the "Freight and passenger cars" entry is selected.

leporting marks	PR0	Car kind	XM	Railroa	ads in Offi	cial Guide	
lumber	56	Car class	XM	###	Initial	Railroad	
	100			1	PRO	ProTrak Demonstrator	
				2	ATSF	Atchinson, Topeka &	
				3	BN	Burlington Northern	
ength over cou	plers, ft 50	Plate C	-	4	CR	Conrail	
1.1	15000	1		5	CSX	Chesapeake Seaboard	
volume, curt	12000			6	NS	Norfolk Southern Hai	
	- 1072 -	Grass) (at 1	ba 220 000	6	SP	Southern Pacific	
Salic date 1100		aloss wyt, i		o	CP	CD D -: i	
Bearing D	220.000 lbs 👻	Light Weight	bs 56,300	10	CP	Canadian Pacific	
		C. C	,	11	CN	Canadian National	
Bearing kind	Roller 👻	Load Limit, Ib	os 163,700	12	A&EC	Atlantic & East Caro	
	-			13	AA	Ann Arbor	
Return Empty To	PRO car di	istributor		14	AA	Michigan Interstate	
				15	AC	Algoma Central	
Load restricted to	, I			16	ACL	Atlantic Coast Line	
Restrictions on u	se U		Quality 🗛	17	AD	Atlantic & Danville	
				18	ADN	Ashley, Drew & North	
Waybill 0	Contents e	mpty	0 tons	19	AL	Almanor Railroad	
anation of ant	ACTIVI	P and fai	Teres	20	ALM	Arkansas & Louisiana	
Location of car	ALT-Yd	b-enu rau	East 💌	21	ALS	Alton & Southern	
Consignee is	first shipper	a	at ACT-Yd	22	AMR	Aracata and Mad Rive	1
Weight of model	car, oz 4.0	Rolling res	istance, % 1.0	Show	Private	e Lines	
Model last inspec	ted on 1 👻	Dec	▼ 2009 ▼	Unc	heck for	Manual Data Entry	



- 3. Since the passenger cars are our own, the "Reporting marks" are correct "PRO" but we'll change the "Number" data field to "10013" ⁽⁶⁾.
- 4. The "Car Kind" data field also needs to be changed to "PA" (double click on "P" in the right hand window then click on the "Show Specific Kind" radio button to get the full listing of passenger cars). Double click on the "PA" entry and you will note that while the "Car Kind" data field has changed to "PA", the "Car Class" data field has remained at "P". This is OK.
- 5. At this point you should also have noticed a new data field appear under the "Number" data field. This data field allows us to give the car a name – something that we see all the time on the prototype railroads. We'll call

⁶ If you remember when we first entered cars in Chapter 7, if we chose to enter a new car (as opposed to copying and editing), the car number defaulted to the next entry number (or line number). This happened when we entered a car numbered PRO 9, remember? You may wonder why the default car number here is 56 rather than 1; the answer is that all cars, both passenger and freight, are stored in the same file. Since we've entered 55 freight cars, the passenger car we are about to enter has a default number of 56.

car 10013 "Lake Woebegone" (ignore the additional window which has popped up in the right hand panel) ⁽⁷⁾.

- 6. A length of "50" feet seems a bit short so let's change that to "85".
- 7. Even empty, passenger cars are relatively heavy. Change the "Light weight" data field to read 140,000. We'll assume all our passenger cars are of the "lightweight" variety ⁽⁸⁾.
- 8. If it doesn't already show it, change the "Location of car" data field to read CAS-40.
- 9. We can leave the remaining data fields as is. Here's what your "Changing active car..." window should look like (Figure 13-11).

eporting marks PRO	Car kind	P	ProTra	k Industries (#	All states)	
umber 57	Car class	P	###	Spot	Firm	Ci
	1 Contraction		1	ACT-01	Actonvale St	A
ame			2	ACT08z	Weigh scale	A
			3	ACT-14	Team track	A
ength over couplers, ft 85	Plate B		4	ACT17a	Twin State F	A
	_		- 5	ACT17b	Twin State F	P
assenger capacity			6	ACT-Yd	ACT Yard	A
	-		7	BER-11	Wilson & Son	В
uilt date Nov 💌 1973 _	 Gross Wgt, I 	bs 220,000	8	BER-10	North Star E	В
D. 000 000 H	The second second		9	BER02y	reporting po	В
earing U 220,000 lbs_		(, IDS 86,300	10	CAS-10	Ideal Cement	C
Poller			11	CAS-11	Wilkins Fore	C
			12	CAS12a	Pioneer Ag S	C
E E E	P -		13	CAS12b	Pioneer Ag S	E
eturn Empty to PRU c	ar distributor		14	CAS-13	Comfort Fuel	C
			15	CAS02y	reporting po	C
			16	BER-01	Berwick Stat	В
			17	CAS-01	Castle Rock	C
	and the second		18	CAS-40	Castle Rock	C
/aybill 0 Contents	; mty	0 tons	19	STLM3s	Anglo-Americ	
cation of car CAS-40	B-end fa	ces West	20		Arthur Farme	
onsignee is	s		<			0
eight of model car, oz 4.0	Rolling res	istance, % 1.0				
odel last inspected on 10	▼ Feb	▼ 2010 ▼	Unc	heck for Man	ual Data Entry	

Figure 13-11

10. Click on "OK" to accept the car.

 ⁷ While it is not normal for coaches to be named, it is not unheard of. We're doing it here to demonstrate the car name feature.
 ⁸ Lightweight passenger cars are usually in the range of 130,000 to 140,000 lbs with heavyweight

⁸ Lightweight passenger cars are usually in the range of 130,000 to 140,000 lbs with heavyweight cars weighing up to 60,000 lbs more.

Repeat steps 2 through 10 for the other two cars:

Car Number	Name
10109	Lake Lostmyway
10092	Lake Wherearewe

Both cars are type "PA", have a lightweight of 140,000 and are located at CAS-40.

11. Once all the changes have been made the window should look like the one in Figure 13-12 ⁽⁹⁾.

💌 F	olling st	tock (Car	s)											
#	Initials	Number	Kind	NG	Lgh	LdLmt	Contents	BoL	Hrs	Spot	Next	Dest'n	Quality	Traffic
56	PRO	10013	PA		85	70	mty	0		CAS-40	CAS-40	CAS-40		Lake Woebegone
57	PRO	10109	PA		85	70	mty	0		CAS-40	CAS-40	CAS-40		Lake Lostmyway
58	PRO	10092	PA		85	70	mty	0		CAS-40	CAS-40	CAS-40		Lake Wherarewe



12. Click on "Close" to close the "Rolling stock (cars)" window.

Adding a Passenger Train

We've worked with adding a train in the past (Chapter 5) and we need to add one more train to be our passenger train. It would seem that we need two trains – one to go from Castle Rock to West Staging and one to return to Castle Rock from West Staging later in the day. If we define two separate trains (as we did with the through trains like CHSL and SLCH), the second train will not run on the same day as the first train. If we look at train CHSL, it runs from CHI02s to STL03s where it remains until the end-of-day process is run. The next day, SLCH runs from STL03s to CHI02s. Since our passengers don't want to stay overnight in "The Big City", we'll use the following technique to set up a same day, outbound and inbound, passenger train.

1. On the ProTrak Standard Toolbar click on "Scheduling" then select "Establish Train jobs and yarding" from the dropdown list. A window like Figure 13-13 will appear.

⁹ The entries in the "Next" and "Dest'n" columns may show either CAS-40 or ACT-Yd.

🕙 Li	sting of train jo	bs									
No.	Symbol/Number	Connecting	Mvg	Op RR	Time	Days	Origin Terminal	Origin	Final Terminal	Terminal	E/W
1	SLCH	CHSL	OK		1:01 AM	Daily	St Louis, MO	STL03s	Chicago, IL	CHI02s	East
2	CHSL	SLCH	OK		9:00 AM	Daily	Chicago, IL	CHI02s	St Louis, MO	STL03s	West
3	202		OK		6:30 AM	Daily	Actonvale	ACT-Yd	Castle Rock	CAS02y	East
4	SENY	NYSE	OK		2:30 PM	Daily	Seattle, WA	SEA01s	New York, NY	NYC01s	East
5	NYSE	SENY	OK		6:00 AM	Daily	New York, NY	NYC01s	Seattle, WA	SEA01s	West

Figure 13-13

2. On the ProTrak Standard Toolbar click on "Edit" then select "New Train" from the dropdown list. A figure similar to Figure 13-14 will appear.

Identifier	PRO Train Numbers	/Symbols		
Vork and Blocking Drigin station Terminal station Departure at 7:00 AM Yard blocking:1) 1) 6) (rises are the train 2) 7) eporting locations: 3) 8) 4) 9) 5) 10)	### Symbol 1 SLCH 2 CH5L 3 202 4 SENY 5 NYSE	Drigin St Louis, MO Chicago, IL Actornale Seatle, WA New York, NY	Heports Switchlist Switchlist Print yard cutlist by ca Speeds Maximum allowed spee Minimum speed, based Tonnage, HP/Ton Maximum length, in ca Maximum rated tonnag HP/Ton rating 1.0 Lashup/consist 1	Primary at work locations at work locations ar standing order in train ad.mph 50 ad.m
	Uncheck for Man	ual Data Entry		

Figure 13-14

3. Passenger train definition requires a slightly different approach than we've used in the past. The first item we must deal with is the data field labeled "Traffic" (see Figure 13-15).

Identifier	PRO Train Numbers/Symbols	
Vork and Blocking Organization Terminal station Departure at 7:00 AM on Daily Yard blocking:1) 1) 6) These are the train 2) 71 reporting locations: 3) 8) 4) 9) 5) 10)	### Symbol Origin 1 SLCH St Louis, MO 2 CHSL Chicago, IL 3 202 Actonvale 4 SENY Seattle, WA 5 NYSE New York, NY	Reports Switchlist Primary Assign work notes at work locations Print yard cutlist by car standing order in train Speeds Maximum allowed speed, mph 50 Minimum speed, based on Drag Tonnage, HP/T on Ratings Maximum rated tonnage 858 HP/Ton rating 1.0 HP/Ton rating 1.0 HP/Ton rating 1.0 HP/Ton rating 1.0
	✓ Uncheck for Manual Data Entry	

Figure 13-15

- 4. Click on the dropdown arrow beside the "Traffic" data field and select "Passenger Service". Other than changing the text displayed in the green box to the right of the "Traffic" data field, you will not see any other immediate changes. You will, however, see the importance of the "passenger Service" selection later on.
- 5. In the "Identifier" area, let's make the following changes: Symbol/Number 100/101 Class 1 Marketing Name Intercity Express Operating Railroad Leave as "PRO, ProTrak Demonstrator"
- 6. You've noticed that the value we entered in the "Symbol/number" data field has a "/" in the middle of it "100/101". If we were to enter the train number as 100, then create a second train numbered 101, ProTrak will assume that you have two separate consists. Earlier, we set up our through trains operating from staging to staging as two separate trains with unique IDs (CHSL and SLCH for example). If we did things in a similar fashion with our passenger train, train 100 would run today, lay over until tomorrow when it would run as train 101. This is not what we want to happen. What we want is a train that runs from A to B early in the day, then back from B to A later in the same day using a common consist. The "xxx/yyy" format is used where a train will travel one direction as the first train number (100 in our case), turn and return as the second number

(101 in our case) **both on the same day**. It is a common occurrence in the prototype world to see trains listed in the "xxx/yyy" fashion.⁽¹⁰⁾

- 7. In the "Work and Blocking" box, click on the "Origin Station" data field and double-click on "Castle Rock" from the list in the center panel. If just the staging tracks are shown click on the "Stations" radio button at the bottom of the center panel to display the station names.
- 8. Click on the "Terminal Station" data field and double-click on "STL03s" from the list in the right hand panel. Again you may need to change the radio button at the bottom of the center panel this time to "Staging".
- 9. For now we'll leave the "Departure" data fields unchanged.
- 10. Click on the "Yard Blocking 1)" data field. Here is where the change we made in step 4 above becomes evident. Look at the center panel of the "Changing trains..." window. Rather than seeing "ACT-Yd" and the two reporting points as we would have expected if we were working with a freight train, we see the three passenger "stations" "ACT-01", "BER-01" and "CAS-01". Since train 100 leaves from Castle Rock, double-click on "CAS-01" in the center panel.
- 11. Click on the "Yard Blocking 2)" data field and double-click on "STL03s" in the center panel. Note: Leave the two data fields that appeared at the bottom of the left hand panel (the ones in the "What happens in staging" box) unchanged. The "In staging" data field should read "entire train is reversed intact (loop)" and the "Equipment exits staging as train" data field should be blank.
- 12. Click on "Yard Blocking 3)" data field and double-click on "CAS-01". At this point you should see a radio button to the left of the "Yard blocking 2)" data field and the message "Train turns at STL03s" should be visible at the bottom of the left hand panel.
- 13. Figure 13-16 shows what your "Changing Train..." window should look like.

¹⁰ The 'turn' may occur in staging, as we have done here, or it could occur at a passenger station.

🕙 Changing train: 6 of: 6					×
Identifier	Possible Tr	ain Yardsidin	gs	Reports	
Symbol/number 100/101 Class 1 💌	### No.	Spot	City	Switchlist Primary	-
Marketing name Intercity Express Operating Railroad PRD, ProTrak Demonstrator	1 1 2 16 3 17	ACT-01 CAS-01 BER-01	Actonvale Station Castle Rock Statio Berwick Station	Assign work notes at work locations	
Work and Blocking Origin station Castle Rock Terminal station St Louis, MO Departure at 7:00 AM Yard blocking: 1) CAS-01 6) These are the train 2) (* STL03s 7) reporting locations. 3) CAS-01 8) 4) 9) 5) 10)	U 1 6 2 7 3 8 4	NYCOIs CHIO2s STLO3s SEA01s	New York, NY Chicago, IL St Louis, MO Seattle, WA	Print yard cuttist by car standing order in train Speeds Maximum allowed speed, mph 50 • Minimum speed, based on Drag Tonnage, HP/Ton Ratings Maximum length, in cars 10 or 500 feet Maximum rated tonnage 858 tons 1,716 1:1 to HP/Ton rating 1.0 • HP required 1,716 Lashup/consist with HP/ton HP	▼ •t pns
Train turns at STL03s	Uncheck	for Manual D	ata Entry		

Figure 13-16

We've now got the passenger train set up. The train will leave Castle Rock, pass through "Berwick" then "Actonvale", stopping to pick up passengers (once we complete the scheduling later in the chapter) and finally ending up in West Staging. As previously noted, because we entered the train number as 100/101 the train will enter staging as train 100, reverse intact and exit staging as train 101 later in the day.

- 14. Click on "OK" to accept Train 100/101 and close the "Changing train..." window.
- 15. Figure 13-17 shows what your "Listing of train jobs" window should now look like (you may have to re-open the "Listing of train jobs" window). Scroll the "Listing of train jobs" window to the extreme right hand side and you will note that the column headed "Traf" shows a "P" for train 100 signifying that this is a passenger train.

🕙 L	isting of train jo	obs											
No.	Symbol/Number	Connecting	Mvg	Op RR	Time	Days	Origin Terminal	Origin	Final Terminal	Terminal	E/W	Traf	2nd Train
1	SLCH	CHSL	OK		1:01 AM	Daily	St Louis, MO	STL03s	Chicago, IL	CHI02s	East		
2	CHSL	SLCH	OK		9:00 AM	Daily	Chicago, IL	CHI02s	St Louis, MO	STL03s	West		
3	202		OK		6:30 AM	Daily	Actonvale	ACT-Yd	Castle Rock	CAS02y	East		
4	SENY	NYSE	OK		2:30 PM	Daily	Seattle, WA	SEA01s	New York, NY	NYC01s	East		
5	NYSE	SENY	OK		6:00 AM	Daily	New York, NY	NYC01s	Seattle, WA	SEA01s	West		
6	100/101		OK		7:00 AM	Daily	Castle Rock	CAS-01	St Louis, MO	STL03s	West	P	

Figure 13-17

16. Click on "Close" to close the "Listing of train jobs" window.

- 17. If you remember earlier in the chapter when we set up the customer "Castle Rock Coach Yard" we left the "Switching train" data field set to "no service" (see point 4 in the "Setting the Default Location for Passenger Cars" section earlier in this chapter). Now that we have a passenger train we need to go back and add train 100/101 as the "Switching train" for customer CAS-40.
- 18. On the ProTrak Standard toolbar, click on "Traffic" then select "Customers" from the dropdown list. Once the "Customers and Loading Points" window opens, double click on the entry for "Castle Rock Coach Yard" (customer 18). Once the "Changing Customer..." window is displayed, click on the dropdown arrow beside the "Switching train" data field and select "100/101" from the list.
- 19. Click on "OK" to accept the "Changing Customer..." window then click on "Close" to close the "Customers and Loading Points" window.
- 20. One last thing to do is to create a new train lineup by clicking on "Scheduling" then selecting "Line-up of Trains" from the dropdown list. You may see a window appear briefly and then return you to the "Line-up of Trains..." window. If you did not see the window appear and then close, you will see a message saying "No changes have been found in the existing Line-up. Do you want to form a new Line-up?". Click on "Yes" to see the lineup. Once you've looked at the lineup you can close the "Line-up of Trains..." window.

Scheduling the Passenger Train

We've now got our passenger stations, passenger cars and passenger trains defined. Now we need to schedule our train. Remember the process we used in chapter 12 to schedule our trains? We'll use the same process to schedule train 100/101.

- 1. On the ProTrak Standard Toolbar click on "Scheduling" then select "Create string diagram" from the dropdown list.
- 2. The "Which subdivision?" window is now displayed. Double click on the first line the only entry displayed in the window.
- 3. The "Creating string diagram..." window is now displayed. Click on the dropdown arrow beside the "Working on train" data field and select "100/101" from the list displayed. Figure 13-18 shows what that window looks like.



Figure 13-18

- 4. As you can see, Train 100/101 has been scheduled but we may have an issue with track occupancy at Castle Rock with train 202 but for now, let's save the train as ProTrak has set it up. Click on the "Save current train" button.
- 5. It is somewhat easier to use the "Timetable" mode to make some of these changes so let's switch to that mode. Click on the "Schedule by Timetable" button at the bottom of the window.
- 6. The "Train Schedules" window is now displayed. Click on the dropdown arrow beside the "Select Train to Schedule" data field. Select "100/101" from the list displayed. Figure 13-19 shows what the "Train Schedules" window now looks like.

Call time 7:00 AM 1 Castle Rock 7:00 AM 1 East Staging rain yarding plan ard siding 1) CAS-01 3 Actonvale 7:04 AM 7:09 AM 2 Castle Rock ard siding 2) STL03s 4 West Staging 7:13 AM 5:30 PM 3 J J J Junction ard siding 2) STL03s 5 Actonvale 5:37 PM 5:39 PM 4 Berwick 5 Actonvale 6 West Staging 5:39 PM 5 Actonvale 6 West Staging 5 Actonvale 6 West Staging 5 Actonvale 6 West Staging 6 West Staging 5 Actonvale 6 West Staging 6 West Staging 6 West Staging 6 West Staging 6 West Stag	100	# 9	Station	Arrival	Departure	All s	tations on PRO	
rd siding 7) Station Arrival Departure	all time 7:00 AM ain yarding plan rd siding 1) [CAS-01 rd siding 2) [STL03s rd siding 3) [CAS-01 rd siding 4) [1 (2 H 3 / 4 \ 5 / 6 H 7 h	Castle Rock Serwick Actonvale West Staging Actonvale Berwick next station	7:01 AM 7:04 AM 7:13 AM 5:31 PM 5:37 PM 5:40 PM	7:03 AM 7:03 AM 7:09 AM 5:30 PM 5:36 PM 5:39 PM	# 1 2 3 4 5 6	Stations East Staging Castle Rock JT Junction Berwick Actonvale West Staging	EA CA JT. BE AC
rd siding 9)	rd siding 7) rd siding 8) rd siding 9) rd siding 10)	<u>ا</u>	Station	Arrival	Departure			

Figure 13-19

- 7. Before we go ahead and make any changes, let's discuss stops to pick up passengers. Train 100 starts out at Castle Rock so it is safe to assume that all passengers will be on board prior to departure at 7:00 am. As we did with freight trains earlier, let's assume it takes 1 minute to get from Castle Rock to Berwick. At Berwick we need to give time for any Castle Rock passengers to disembark and for any Berwick passengers to board. A reasonable time would be 2 minutes. Again, as with freight trains we can assume it takes 1 minute to go from Berwick to Actonvale. At Actonvale, for reasons that we'll go into later, we need to wait 5 minutes. From Actonvale to West Staging takes 4 minutes (remember the train has to go around the loop). That's it for train 100.
- 8. Let's continue with train 101. From West Staging to Actonvale takes 1 minute. Again we need to wait 5 minutes at Actonvale then proceed to Berwick (1 minute), a 2 minute station stop then on to Castle Rock (1 minute).