

*Spring 2003 Baldwin Trophy Winner
Joe Bux's NYO&W Diorama*



Kennicott Water Softener Plant - HO Scale Model

Oneida, NY is located geographically in the Niagara Escarpment. This area has a lot of lime and manganese compounds in its water, making it undesirable for steam boiler use. To soften this "hard" water and make it suitable for steam locomotives, the NYO&W Railway erected a Kennicott treatment plant to supply treated engine boiler water to a wood tank located there. It also erected a number of other service structures at the site. This diorama, with some freelancing, depicts that prototype scene.