



EMD GP9 & GP18 New Locomotive Announcement (March 2026)

Wait a second! The GP7 and GP9 are already in AZL inventory! They were 15 years ago, but our old factory scrapped the molds (we believe together with the F59PHI and SD70M).

Well, we have really missed the GPs, so they will be back better than ever. First out, are the GP9 & GP18. Not promising the GP7 at this time, but it is highly likely that will happen later.

What we can promise is an AZL GP9 which is better detailed and that will run better than the old GP7 / GP9!

The GP9 production was north of 4000 units while the GP18 was a tenth of that. The GP9 was rated to 1750hp while the GP18 had 1800hp. Production years were 1954-63 (GP9 and 1959-63 (GP18).

Our first run will include original buyers and also some secondary users like BN and Chessie. Expect the usual AZL standard of railroad specific details (plenty of these). Some of unique details are: Different Radiator Fans, Different Side Skirts, Dynamic Brake Option, Steam Generator Option, Different Airhorns, Bay Window Options, Different Sunshades and on and on.... (and maybe a low hood)

First Run railroads will include:

GP9 – SP, SSW, ATSF, GN, NW, NH, C&O, CofG, CN, CP, RI, NYC, PRR, SAL, NP, WP, UP, Amtrak, Chessie, MILW and D&RGW

GP18 – B&M, NKP, MP, IC, LV, GTW, C&NW, NW, L&N and BN



PRR GP9 7024.
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LV GP18 304
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CofG GP9 164
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Expected Delivery: Fall 2027