



The Arizona & California Railway provided the AT&SF with a shorter route from Los Angeles to Phoenix, compared to its Santa Fe, Prescott & Phoenix route from its original Atlantic & Pacific mainline. The A&C was constructed westward from a junction with the SFP&P at Matthie, Arizona, and reached Parker, Arizona, on the Colorado River, in June 1907, and reached the (SP-built) AT&SF mainline at Cadiz, California, in 1910.

Eastward view the A&C mainline at Salome, Arizona, where the A&C joins the Centennial Wash, which the A&C follows for 35 miles east through the McMullen and Aguila valleys.



Eastward view of the A&C mainline about 4 miles west of Salome, where the line crosses the Granite Mountains before joining Centennial Wash.