



In 1931, at a location on the Western Pacific Feather River Route called Keddie, the WP built a branch running north to Bieber, California, where it met the Great Northern Railway, which had built south from Klamath Falls, Oregon. The new route from Klamath Falls to Keddie was dubbed the "Inside Gateway." The WP-built Keddie Wye is the most highly engineered wye in the Southwest and a favorite of rail fans.

This switch is one of the three that comprise the wye. The 1909 WP mainline exits a tunnel (out of view in lower left) onto a switch on a trestle and continues as the line on the right. The line on the left is the western connection with the 1931 branch line.



This is the second switch off of the 1909 WP mainline, which continues to the left. The line on the right with a tunnel is the eastern connection with the 1931 branch line.



The third switch on the Keddie Wye is the northern switch where the two 1931 connections to the WP mainline merge. This southward view of the 1931 Inside Gateway line is a short distance north of the third switch, which I did not walk to.



West of the Keddie Wye, the 1909 WP mainline crosses through yet another tunnel and the 1931 Inside Gateway crosses over yet another trestle. Between the two is Spanish Creek, a tributary of the North Fork Feather River that the WP mainline follows for about 20 miles.