

Painting Lines on Roads

Methods

- **Tape**
 - Too thick
 - Chips or peals with age
- **Paint brush by hand**
 - Imprecise
- **Airbrush with masking**



STOP

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Tape Widths

- $1/32''$ equals 5'' N scale
- $3/32''$ equals 15'' N scale
- $1/8''$ equals 20'' N scale

Crepe Tape

- **Flexible**
 - Allows you to mask curved lines

Crepe Tape



- Available from Amazon
 - Search for [width] crepe tape

Before



Tape Lines

- **Double line**
 - 3/32"
 - Two 5" lines
 - 5" space between lines
- **Stop line**
 - 1/8"
 - 20" line

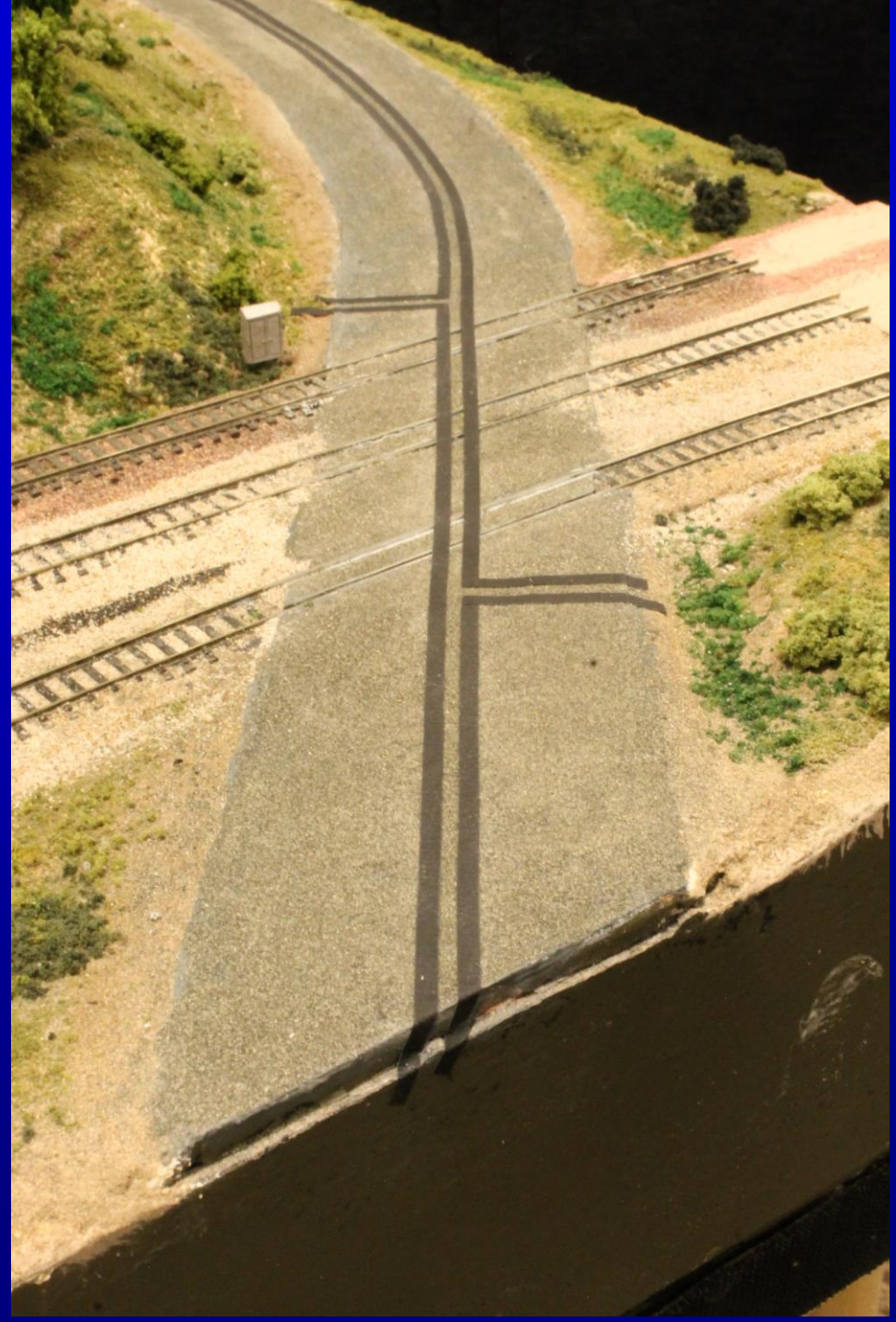


Tape Outline

- 1/8" tape
- Tape is thick enough to tape against edge of line tape



Remove Line Tape



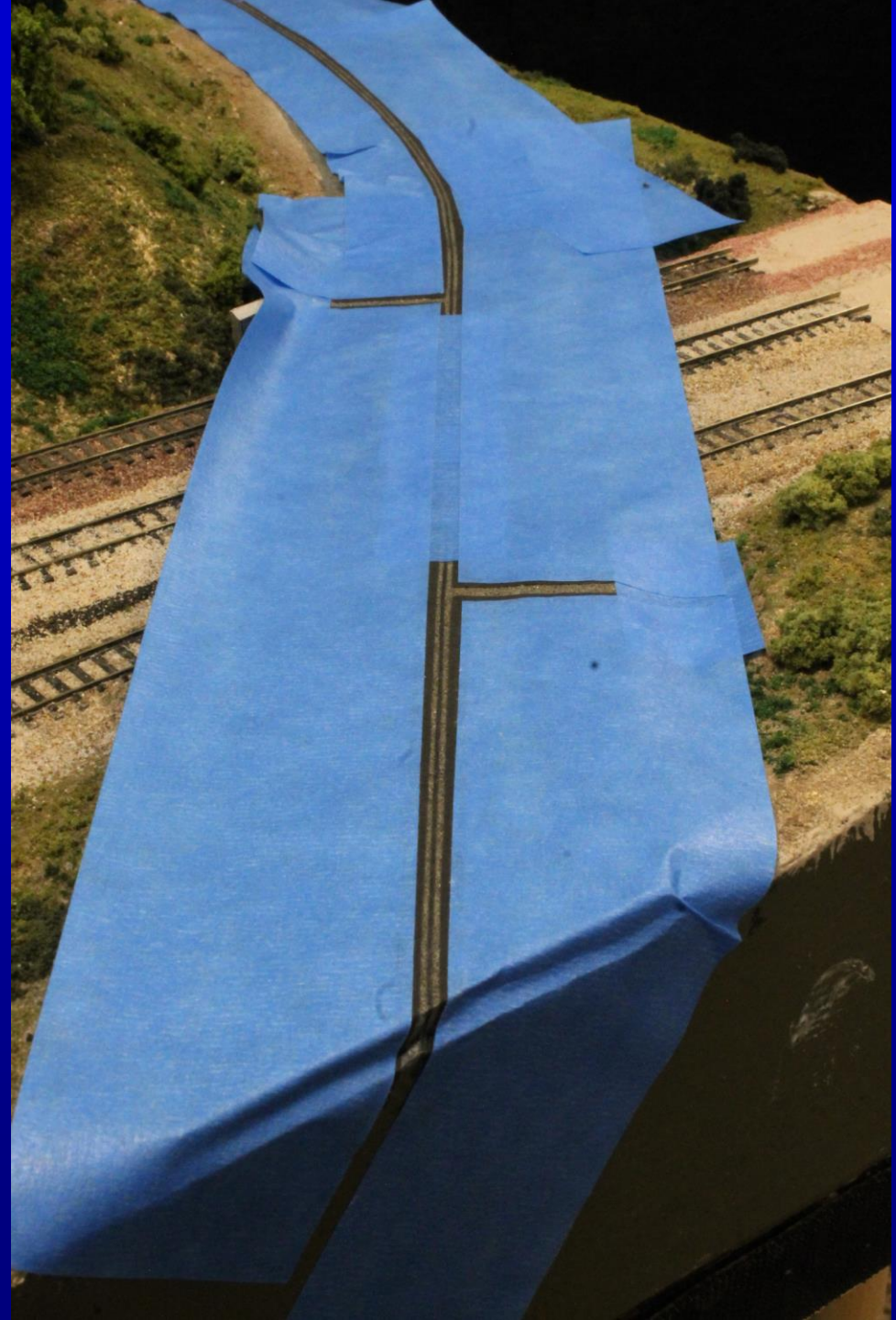
Mask Space Between Lines

- 1/32" tape
- Centered between edge tapes



Mask With Painter's Tape

- I chose not to paint lines across tracks



Mask With Paper Towels

- Secure paper towels with painter's tape
- Protects scenery from overspray



Tip Module On Edge

- Lets you airbrush on a vertical surface
- An advantage of modular model railroads



Airbrushing

- **Airbrush all lines white**
 - Yellow doesn't cover well
- **Make many light passes**
 - Prevents paint bleeding under tape
- **Mask white lines**
- **Airbrush yellow lines**

Remove Masking

