

Mainline trains from/to Washington would stop at WO&W Junction to:

- Drop off passengers going to Alexandria Terminal
- Pick up passengers coming from Alexandria Terminal
- Drop off passengers for the Branch
- Pick up passengers from the Branch

Branch trains would stop at Alexandria Junction to:

- Drop off passengers going to Alexandria Terminal
- Pick up passengers coming from Alexandria Terminal
- Drop off passengers terminating at Alexandria Junction
- Pick up passengers originating at Alexandria Junction
- Drop off passengers going to Mainline trains (North and South)

Blueмонт Branch
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Passengers boarding/detraining at WO&W Junction would be required to walk between WO&W and Alexandria Junction, a short distance around the curve on the Thomas Swann property, and vice-versa.

Local trains (accommodation trains) consisting of a steam locomotive (probably 0-6-0 type) and a few cars would travel 1.8 miles from the Alexandria Terminal at Fairfax and Princess Streets to Alexandria Junction.

After detraining/entraining any passengers the accommodation train would return to the Alexandria Terminal.

Because Alexandria Junction was equipped with double tracks and assorted crossovers, it is possible that the steam locomotive would be cut off, run around the train, couple up and return to Alexandria Terminal running with tender forward, or...

The locomotive could remain at the headend of the consist and the train would be run backwards (tail-hose) with the engine crew remaining on the locomotive and the Brakeman controlling the train from the vestibule of the last car.

Washington

Note: The “mainline” from Washington was actually the Washington-Southern Railway over which the Southern Railway operated under trackage rights. Originally called Alexandria and Washington

Mainline

WO&W Junction
Waiting Shed

Alexandria Junction
Waiting Shed

Round Hill/Bluemont Branch

Possible Scenario for Train Operations
WO&W and Alexandria Junctions during
R&D and Southern Railway Periods
1886-1912

Southern Railway
Alexandria Station
Fairfax and Princess Street
Originally AL&H

Washington Southern
Alexandria Station
Oronoco Street