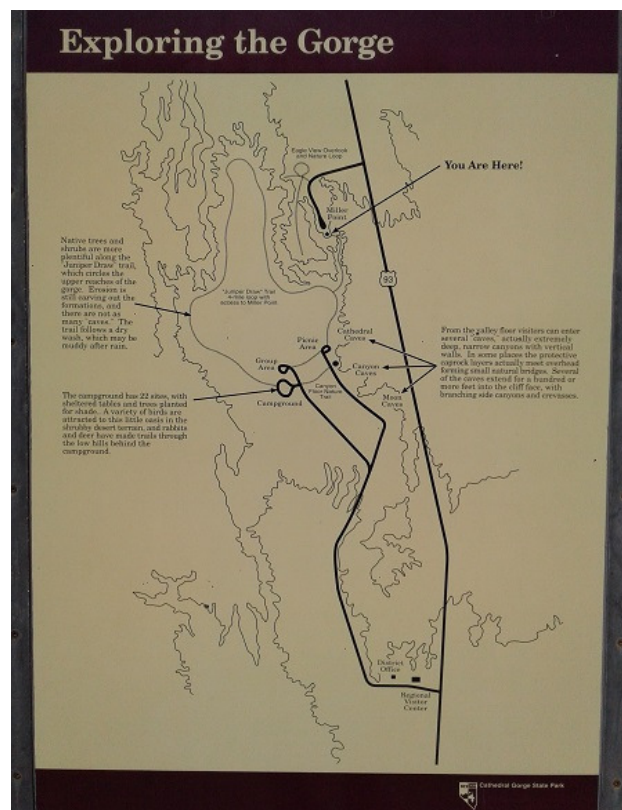


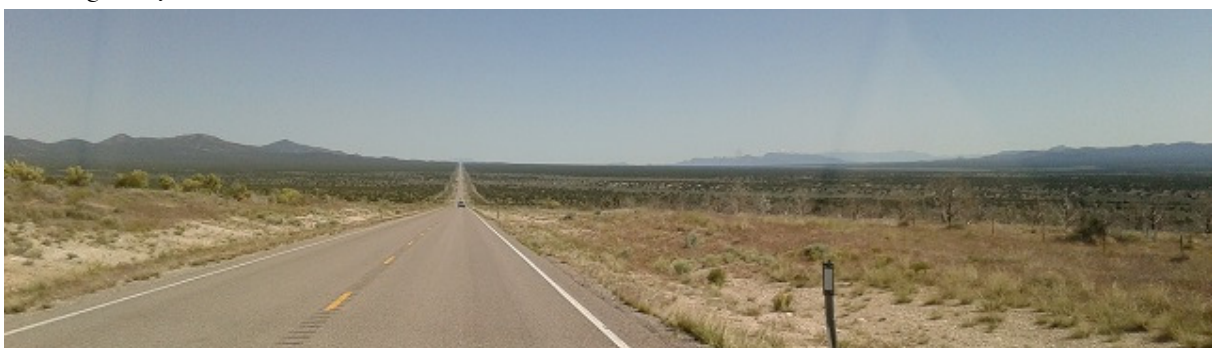
MAY 29 - BORING DRIVE TO ELY, NV (AND THEN SOME EXCITING STUFF!)

The campground in Cathedral Gorge State Park was very well kept, clean, and attractive.

We left early this morning heading north to Ely, NV. Just a short way up the climb out of the valley there was a sign for a Scenic Lookout, so we pulled in. Turns out it was Cathedral Gorge. You can see where we are in relation to the campground.



That was the most exciting part of the drive today. The rest was just long straight stretches with nothing really to look at. Ho hum!





We arrived at Cave Lake State Park about 10 miles south of Ely, NV, found a site and got set up.



We drove into Ely and turned left onto Hwy 50 and headed into the old part of town. As we stopped on a side street in front of the closed Tourist Information Centre, we saw an old steam engine chuffing out of town.

Back in Alfie we chased the engine up the track and out of town. We got ahead of the engine and I shot a video.



Later, back at the Nevada Northern Train Museum, the sign said "Tuesday Closed". Well I guess I better visit today then. So I did. Turns out the steam engine had a couple on a training ride. Pay the museum \$800 and they will teach you how to drive the steam engine.

Pour moi, a peasant, it was really interesting to be able to walk anywhere in the yard complex, with no restrictions.

By the time I finished my walkabout, the steam engine had returned to the station.



Later, after a grocery run, we quaffed an ale.



Tomorrow we head west along "the lonliest highway" a.k.a. Hwy 50 heading for Reno.