

## FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

DATE: March 2017  
ITEM: New Business 1  
FROM: Eugene Vicknair  
SUBJECT: **Grant Applications**

There are three large grant programs (\$50,000 to \$250,000) with application deadlines coming up between May and September 2017 that focus on capital investments in infrastructure. In addition, there is a smaller grant with deadline in June.

They are:       USDA Rural Assistance Program  
                  North American Railway Foundation Direct Funding Program  
                  California Museum Grant Program  
                  Community Facilities Grant Program

Smaller program (\$5,000<):       Tom E. Dailey Foundation Grants

I am recommending that we submit the following programs for the following grants:

. WP 165 Restoration - \$100,000	North American Ry Foundation Direct Funding Program
. Whitman Building Acquisition - \$150,000	USDA Rural Assistance Program
. Entry Road and Parking Lot - \$140,000	California Museum Grant Program (\$70,000) Community Facilities Grant Program (\$70,000)
. Archives Facility / Support - \$4,000	Tom E. Dailey Foundation Grant

Note that the California Museum Grant Program requires a 50% dollar for dollar match, of which 25% can be in kind donations. We can pair it with the Community Facilities Grant to complete the match. Also, I am working on some options for contacting large donors to support these applications.

I am working with various groups to identify other grant applications. If appropriate grants are identified, I would recommend we prioritize the following items:

- . New Diesel Shop Restrooms (capital grant)
- . WP 165 Restoration (artifact / restoration grant)
- . WP 917 / 921 / 925 Restorations (artifact / restoration grant)

**REQUEST:** For the Board to approve this report and its recommendations and give approval to proceed with grant applications as outlined.