

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

DATE: September, 2015

ITEM: Director Report

FROM: Eugene Vicknair

SUBJECT: **Equipment Signage Update, 2016 Calendar and Archives Photos**

Equipment Signage

In August 2014, the Board gave me funding authority to order signage for 14 pieces of equipment, a total of 32 signs with supplemental information signs, based on prototypes I had donated, with a spending cap of \$2200. Due to funding concerns in late 2014, I was asked to hold off on ordering.

In early summer, a sign supplier was offering discounts on aluminum sheet signs, vs. the dibond material the prototypes were made from. The cost savings was significant and I proceeded with two orders about 1 month apart. As of September 6, 2015, I have ordered enough signs for 15 pieces of equipment, with additional supplemental information signs bringing the total to 40, in addition to the 2 prototype sets. This exceeds the goals of the business item approved by the Board and was done for a total cost of \$2077.

Starting this weekend, I will be placing hardware on the signs and beginning to apply them to equipment. They will be magnet held, just like the prototypes.

2016 Calendars

Included after this report is the preliminary 2016 Event Calendar. Please review and offer any additions, alterations, etc. to me by email. I would like to have the calendar approved at the October Meeting.

I have also started creating the 2016 Historic Calendar for sale by the Society. I should have proofs next meeting.

Archives Photos

Over the past 3 years, I have digitally retouched over 60 photos from the FRRS archives for display at the annual conventions and use in FRRS issued calendars and the Headlight. (Most of these were scanned initially by Dale Sanders and the quality of his work provided an excellent starting point.) About 40 of these images have been printed and framed and were placed in the FRRX baggage car for public display prior to Railroad Days. Thank you to Alicia LaBrecque and Leisa Wesch for taking care of the framing and hanging. Please stop by and take a look. These will remain on public display to share our archives with the public and more will be coming.