

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: Event Reports
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PUMPKIN PATCH EXPRESS 2025

Due to work commitments I am stuck in the Bay Area this month. I will do what I can from there, including coordination and promotion.

Patty Clawson has offered to take on the major project of leading the decorating during the week. She is busy next weekend but can work some weekdays. I talked to Greg Elems about getting the decorations out of the Party Car for her and anyone else who wants to help decorate. I understand Steve Habeck is handling the lights. That means Patty and whoever else can help her will just handle the non-light up decorations. If we can get a few people together this Saturday before or after the Board Meeting, that would also be a big help. In just 1-2 hours, 3-4 people can make a big dent in decorating.

I talked to Ann about decorating the store and handling Pumpkins. Ann checked with Feather River Food Co-op and Charlie checked with Winco on pumpkin prices. Winco has the better prices so Charlie is setting us up for 5 boxes of mixed pumpkins and 1 box of minis. If we need more for second weekend, we can go to Winco. David Hansen will haul them from Reno.

We also need a count on usable haybales and if we need more. If we need more I need to talk to David Hansen.

I sent out a draft email asking for volunteers. Once I get comments, will ask Paul to send it out via MailTrain and I will put on social media.

Patty and I are blasting the event out on Social Media and getting good responses so far. Michael Clawson even did a video for us. Bob Danner will be doing Sasquatch for us again. The Berriesfords are making cookies for us to sell.

Open items:

- We need to be prepared for the We Cook For You truck and where to put them. they will need water and power.
- Who is going to handle placement and setup on the light plants?
- We will need someone to oversee the set up and running of the Pumpkin Patch and someone to oversee the entry gate. I list those in the volunteer email.

Please let me know any other open items.

2025 WESTERN PACIFIC CONVENTION

I received costing back from CSRM. Looks pretty good. We are still planning for joint convention with Rio Grande group. Proposed dates are September 18-21 and 25-28, 2025. We are trading emails with RGMHS planning team.