



# FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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Dear FRRS member,

About 120 years ago, work began to construct the railroad we preserve today: the Western Pacific. Although the road disappeared in the business sense in 1983, we now have the responsibility to preserve that story and its legacy. As the home of the Western Pacific, we safeguard irreplaceable artifacts, operate historic equipment and deliver educational programs that connect new generations to the technology, ingenuity, and human narratives that made the WP such a unique and cherished operation. But sustaining this work requires resources beyond what admissions, memberships, and volunteer labor can provide.

Your contribution today will have a direct and visible impact. A gift of any size helps us fund restorations, enhance visitor experiences and ensure that our collection remains accessible, operational, and relevant. More importantly, your support affirms that the stories originally written in steel, timber, and steam still matter—that they are worth protecting and passing on.

We are working on several key restoration and facility projects that will showcase the very best of our museum and the legacy of the Western Pacific:

- **Western Pacific GP7 707** and **FP7 805-A** are both in line for major mechanical repairs, totaling over **\$32,000**. With your support, these locomotives will once again come to life—roaring, shining, and ready to inspire future generations.
- **Southern Pacific GP9 2873** is being repainted and getting major body repairs, returning it to full operation as part of our living history collection.
- Thanks to a grant from the **Union Pacific Foundation**, we're improving visitor access to the **Union Pacific "Centennial" 6946**. With additional donations, we hope to finish interior and exterior cab restoration work and unveil these improvements this fall.

We ask you to join us in this work. Please consider making a tax-deductible gift to sustain our museum's preservation, education, and community outreach efforts. Your generosity directly powers these efforts and helps ensure that future generations can stand trackside, hear the echo of a whistle, and feel the same sense of wonder that ignited America's love of railroading.

Please take a moment today to make your **tax-deductible donation** by mailing back the included form or by visiting **donate.WPLives.org**.

Together, let's keep the spirit of the Western Pacific alive—and make 2026 a year to remember!

Wishing you all the best,

Eugene Vicknair  
Director and Funding Department

Greg Elems  
President

As a 501(c)3 non-profit supported primarily by the donations of its visitors and members, we depend on your contributions to continue our preservation, research and restoration programs. Donations may be tax deductible, please ask you tax professional.

Keep an eye on the WPRM Facebook page, check the Society email news blasts and watch the Train Sheet for news about upcoming events in 2026!



Please fill out the donation form below. Your donation may be tax deductible. Please consult your tax professional. FRRS Tax ID Number: 68-0002774. For questions, comments or information, please contact: **Eugene Vicknair** • ph: 530.832.4131 • email: [funding@wplives.org](mailto:funding@wplives.org)

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