

**WELCOME to the 2022 Western Pacific Railroad
Historic Convention, hosted by the SureStay
Plus by Best Western in Reno, Nevada and
produced by the FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY**

Reno, Nevada is the namesake of one of the Western Pacific's most important branchlines. Created from the southern remnants of the Nevada-California-Oregon narrow gauge railway, the line opened in late 1917. While it saw only moderate traffic until the late 1950s, the opening of a large business park in Stead and then a TOFC ramp at Parr Yard pushed carloadings higher and made it a major contributor to the WP's bottom line. Today it is still operated by the Union Pacific south of Bordertown, with rails from there to Reno Jct. still in place and mothballed.

SAVE THE DATE!
Rails by the River
April 26-30, 2023

Western Pacific and Pacific Coast Region NMRA
Joint Convention



Location:

Courtyard by Marriott in Sacramento, CA



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday - May 11

- 10:00 AM Registration opens
- Vendor room opens for set-up
- 11:30 AM Registration closes for lunch break
- 12:00 PM Tour departs for Virginia City
- 1:00 PM Registration reopens
- 1:30 PM Meet and Greet
in Lobby and Meeting Room
- 3:00 PM Model and Photo Contest Entry opens
- 4:00 PM Archive and Model Exhibit opens
- 5:00 PM Virginia City tour returns
- Registration closes
- Archive and Model Exhibit closes

Evening Events..

- 6:30 PM **Mixed at the WP / N-C-O Depot**
- The Depot Brewery, 325 East 4th St.
- 9:30 PM **Mixer ends**

Friday - May 13

- 8:00 AM Registration opens
- Vendor Room opens for vendor set-up
- 10:00 AM Vendor and Exhibit Room opens
- Clinics and Shows..**
- 8:30 AM **Introduction**
- 8:40 AM **Train Wrecks and Derailments on the WP**
- by Chris Skow
- 9:30 AM **Nevada-California-Oregon Ry: Keeping the Story Alive**
- by Shane Starr
- 10:45 AM **Western Pacific's High Sierra Branchlines**
- by Eugene Vicknair
- 12:00 PM lunch break
- 1:40 PM **Western Pacific MoW Equipment**
- by Kerry Cochran
- 2:30 PM **Western Pacific Films**
- 3:20 PM **UP 6900 class Centennials**
- by Chris Skow
- 4:10 PM **Guided Tour of FRRS Historical-Archive Web Pages**
- by Kerry Cochran
- 5:30 PM Model and Photo Contest Entries close
- Vendor and Exhibit Room closes

Saturday - May 14

- 8:00 AM Registration opens
- 9:00 AM FRRS Board of Directors Meeting
- 10:05 AM Vendor and Exhibit Room opens
- 10:30 AM Photo and Model judging begins
- 3:00 PM Photo and Model judging ends

Clinics and Shows..

- 10:15 AM **Western Pacific's EMD SW1500s**
- by Kerry Cochran
- 11:00 AM **Feather River Express 2009**
- by Chris Skow
- 12:00 PM lunch break
- 1:40 PM **Time Flies and the Feather Flows**
- by Steve Cope
- 2:40 PM **Western Pacific Films**
- 3:30 PM **Western Pacific 65' Mill Gondolas**
- by Kerry Cochran

- 5:30 PM No Host mixer
- Vendor and Exhibit Room closes

Evening Events..

- 6:30 PM **Closing Banquet**
Guest Speaker: Tom Hervey
Seating starts at 6:00 PM

Sunday, May 15

8:30 AM - Bus leaves for Western Pacific Railroad Museum

1:15 PM - Bus leave for return to Reno hotel

9:45 AM - 12:45 PM - Shuttle bus every 30 minutes between museum and Chris Skow residence

If you have questions...
Ask one of our VOLUNTEERS

**Fundraising Raffle Tickets and Archives prints
will be for sale at the Museum Store in the Vendor Room**



Preserving "The Feather River Route"