

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY AGENDA REPORT

DATE: April 25, 2004
FROM: Director Vicknair
MEETING: May 1, 2004
ITEM: New Business, Facilities
SUBJECT: Modification of MoPac Caboose for Wheelchair access

With the completion of Phase 1 of the walkways along the east and south east sections of the Diesel Shop, the FRRS now has accessible passage into the Shop and to a portion of the Caboose Train loading area. The coming acquisition of the wheelchair lift will allow access to the Caboose Train.

Now we require modification of a car to allow access on the train. After examining the cars and talking with several members, I would recommend that we modify the MoPac caboose, MP 13878, to accommodate 2 wheelchairs.

Modifications would include the removal of the side railings closest to one end of the cabin and their placement on framework that allows them to function as locking gates, the removal of the floor grate material in the same area and its replacement with ADA compliant slat flooring and the addition of 2 chair locking mechanisms. The complete modification of both sides of one end of the car will permit loading and unloading from either side and give a 2 chair capacity to the train.

Estimated cost for this modification project is no more than \$2500. Budget line item would be 54100 – Train Ride expenses. Monies would come from the general fund.

PROPOSAL

I would like Board approval to begin the engineering, acquisition and installation of the materials needed to make the caboose accessible.

ACTION: Discussion. Possible Action.

TABLED TO NEXT MEETING