

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: OB 1 –Collectibles and Equipment Event
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Several months ago, the Board discussed a request by a local businessman and collector to hold a collectibles show at the museum. The opinion was that there was interest in such a show, but that June or some time in summer would be better than the April dates being discussed.

I had a meeting with Mr. Richard Short a few weeks ago about this event and he is still very interested in doing this. We also discussed expanding it. As some of the collectors he has in mind specialize in model heavy equipment, we discussed the idea of bringing in real heavy equipment, perhaps a fire truck, some earth moving equipment, etc. to have in addition to the collectibles and our rail equipment.

The basic idea would be to have an event where there would be sales and display tables in the Diesel Shop and we would host the display / sales show for a weekend. Richard's organization would make money on the table fees and a raffle, while the FRRS would have the gate, donation and train ride income. Any heavy equipment invited would be additional attractions to bring more people to the event.

In looking at June, we have the annual meeting June 2 and Father's Day June 17. The other weekends in June are the 9-10, 23-24 and 30 – July 1. The last weekend would coincide with the Graeagle Independence Day festival.

Would like to get some thoughts and feedback on the structure and dates for this event, and if there is interest in doing it. Richard Short will have folks from his group assisting in set up and tear down. We would basically run like a regular operating weekend with extra promotion.

