

FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

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ITEM: Department Report
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FUNDING DEPARTMENT

2018 Fall Fundraising Mailer

As of September 30, the Fall Fundraising Mailer has brought in \$5,045. I have seen at least

Grants Submitted and in Progress

On Friday, October 12, I submitted a request for the FRRS to receive the 2018 Trains Magazine Historic Preservation Award. This \$10,000 grant goes to one project each year. This was submitted on behalf of the WP F7A 917-D restoration with assistance from Greg and David Elems.

Over the next 8 months, I am readying six additional grant applications in support of WP 0-6-0 165 (\$10,000 grant), the FRRS Archives (2 grants totaling \$8,000), repairing the roof on the "Charles O. Sweetwood" (\$14,000 grant) and 2 large dollar grants for the Whitman Building purchase and initial construction (totaling \$300,000).

Future Grants and Historic Registries

I have also identified several other grants that I am researching. A new grant has been relayed to me that can apply to railroad preservation, however one requirement of this grant (and another that I was already considering) is that the preservation item needs to be a recognized historic site / structure listed in an official historic register. I have been researching implications of historic listing with help from some of our governmental friends. I would request that the Board consider listing WP 106, the "Charles O. Sweetwood", and WP 0-6-0 165 as our first official historic items with either the state or federal historic registers. I hope to have more specific recommendations on this subject in early 2019.