



FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

General Superintendent's Report

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Again, the best I can do this month is repeat myself about what is taking place at the museum and maybe a couple of other things.

While the FRRS Board of Directors will be discussing any reopening plan again, we will address all concerns as fast as we can. There will be questions and I am sure all of the directors are concerned and will take the best action for all the members.

While the museum is closed because of the COVID-19 issue, there are still a few of our volunteers coming in to the museum to keep up with the mail, the museum store, (limited to checking phones and email) and several other small items that need attention while we are closed.

With the upswing in the COVID-19 virus across California and several other states, I would suspect that our discussion at the July FRRS Board of Directors meeting will be about how we, the FRRS, handle the museum during these hard times.

Again, one of the largest issues facing the museum right now is the shelter-in-place orders for the State of California and Plumas County. The FRRS Board of Directors will be having ongoing discussions on this issue during our monthly Board of Directors meetings.

The COVID-19 virus will no doubt impact the museum's operation for the year 2020 and maybe even beyond. I addressed this in the last issue of the *Train Sheet* (front page article).

While there are only a small handful of volunteers keeping some of the important items at the museum running, we must all consider the impact that the virus is having on all of us.

Our President, Vice President, David Elems and some of the other members are keeping the museum and equipment in shape or getting it ready should we be able to open.

A few members (you know who you are) took on the task of working of fire safety at the museum over the last few weeks and have cut and cleaned up some of the trees and brush around the grounds.

One thing that members and the public can do is to visit our web cameras and take a look at one side of the museum. The web cameras are working for the most part, we have experienced some issues with our web hosting service that has impacted the web cameras at certain times. We are exploring a better solution.

The west-facing camera was repositioned by David Elems and Ethan Doty. Thank you goes out to them.

Check the FRRS website for updates as we are posting news as it becomes available. This is updated almost daily by our webmaster, Paul Finnegan, thank you Paul.

“As always, there are so many volunteers that help around the museum all the time and I would be remised if I did not say thank you to all of you. I may have missed some specifically by name; however all of your help is greatly appreciated”.

While some restrictions are relaxed, some still remain in place. Please check with local authorities regarding your area and should you need to travel to the museum, please let us know.

Any and all volunteers, should be very aware that the FRRS/WPRM has limited resources during these times and we need to know who if any members will be visiting the museum.

At any time should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, I may not have an answer right away, however I will get one for you.

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