



WP GP9 731 (coming to Portola, with sister 725) assists WP 2-8-2 334 (also preserved, at Rio Vista) on a railfan excursion in March of 1956, when the Geep was less than a year old.

Help Fund A Portola Homecoming!

As the historical society for the Western Pacific, the Feather River Rail Society has strived to acquire Western Pacific materials and equipment for the collection at the Portola Railroad Museum. One of the gaps in our collection is EMD's GP9, of which the WP had eight, numbers 725-732. This gap has been filled with our acquisition of fully-operational GP9's 300 and 306 from Helm Leasing (WP 725 and 731).

Operational GP9's can command a high price in the used locomotive market, and although Helm Financial sold these units to us at their rock-bottom price, we have over \$70,000 invested in them. The Board of Directors felt that this expenditure was justified, since there are only 3 WP GP9's still in existence (the other is 727, on display in Elko, NV). We would like every FRRS member to consider making a special donation to help defray the expenses incurred. We appreciate everyone's help and support, and your contributions are, as always, fully tax deductible. Use the coupon below!

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