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the Inside Balloon track. Charlie Spikes and Phil serviced and filled the water buffalo so when the tree work takes place we have an ample supply of water for keeping the area moist and, should a fire start, we are right there with a way to put a lot of water on the problem. Thanks Charlie and Phil for that! I spent June 23rd and 24th helping Phil on tree work. Dusty but satisfying to see as we reduce our fire danger.

Switching, Steve Habeck is still refining the placement of our "at risk equipment" and displays. We will continue to switch at the museum as inspections and work dictate. As the plan develops we will try to have a couple days lead time on the switching. With the usual caveat, anyone in the Operating Department who wants to help, let us know so we can contact you. Hopefully by the time we are allowed to open up next year we will have a new look to the museum.



Track work hasn't started yet but plans are in the works on what I would like to accomplish this year. We have ties to replace with the balloon and switches in need of attention. Time to prioritize and set up days to plan on early start times. Midday will be out of the question with summer temps and the evening mosquito problem makes morning work the most likely time to tackle the work.

In closing, I would like to thank Steve Habeck, Ethan Doty and David Elems for their constant presence at the museum. I should mention Bob Sims and Phil Schmierer also. Bob spends extra time after the steam work sessions at the museum doing less glamorous projects. Thanks Bob. Phil has come over from Dunsmuir to donate time and energy on the grounds. Thank you Phil.

'Till next time, stay safe and cool.

Greg Elems

FRRS Yahoo Group – Train-Off Notice

- Paul Finnegan, Webmaster

Yahoo has phased out one of its longest-standing features, the "Yahoo Group". The FRRS Yahoo Group was formed on February 27, 2000 and, for many years, was very active with user posts and discussions. Over its life, a total of 4,276 messages were posted.

Over time, it fell into disuse. The last real post was November 2, 2018 by Eugene Vicknair. The most recent post from someone other than Eugene or me was April 17, 2017.

Before Yahoo deleted all the old messages and files last October, I backed them up onto our WPLives Cloud server. I do not really think any of it is important anymore, but it is preserved just in case.

After consulting with the members of the Signal Department, the remnants of the Group were removed on July 1, 2020 and the FRRS Yahoo Group faded into history.