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EL DORADO WESTERN RAILROAD

Current Activities

- Public rides on Sunday
- Maintenance of Way
- Weed Abatement
- Locomotive and caboose repair and restoration



Dale Fowlar and Davey "doc" Wiser preparing the Plymouth for a test run





SPTC Right of Way Maintenance

Equipment and Rolling Stock

Planning and Support



Volunteers

Operations

restoration, repair and maintenance

Installing stop sign at a private road crossing

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Railroad Facilities

- 1. Shingle Springs Depot Yard
- 2. El Dorado Station
- Diamond Springs End of Line at Missouri Flat Road
- Track approximately 8 miles of ties, rail, ballast, culverts and bridges, trail and road crossings, and sidings











Upcoming Activities



Plymouth Locomotive tank replacement

"stop" "whistle" "crossing" track signs

- August 30 Long Run (round trip between Shingle Springs and El Dorado)
- Participate in the Folsom Rail Fest Sept. 26
- Joint celebration of 150 Anniversary of the railroad arriving in Shingle Springs – Oct. 11
- Complete the Well Survey
- Maintenance and Repair Projects
- Install railroad signs





- EI Dorado Western Railroad and the future Railroad History
 Center in the EI Dorado Railroad Park furthers the mission
 and long term goals of the County Historical Museum
 Reasons for being involved
 - Satisfaction of working on railroad equipment and track
 - Enjoyment of sharing the County's history with visitors
 - Pride in being a part of something that celebrates this County's unique bistory and special identity.

County's unique history and special identity





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Goals for 2015-2016

- Collaborate with Parks Division on Masterplan for the El Dorado County Historical Railroad Park
- Complete the El Dorado Western Railroad Master Plan
- Finalize the Memorandum of Understanding between the County Museum and the El Dorado Western Railway Foundation
- Continue work to bring track, equipment and crew up to FRA standards, as described at the June 17, 2014 report to the BOS





Action Plan for 2015-2016

- Work collaboratively with trail users on finding solutions to "pinch points" starting with bridge crossings
- Work with the Parks Division on priority maintenance and repair projects
- Continue to bring the Railroad to the public with a dynamic volunteer program, Sunday train rides, special events and the regular maintenance program





Rail Fan Excursion Trip in 1957 Shingle Springs Station

Diamond Springs Station, 1940

Purpose

- Preservation of significant local history
- El Dorado County History
- Destination for rail fans, residents and tourists



