Hello All.

This was a busy week for me at work so Richard staffed the shop Tuesday and Thursday night. Tuesday night Richard and crew went south to milepost 2.15 and spiked all the ties that we had put into the track the Saturday before, opening the track back up. Thursday night Richard installed the derail on the turntable lead, which will remain until the turntable project is completed, possibly 2 months.

Saturday we started to go out and change ties, but the Sacramento police and fire were blocking the main line at the hotel so taking the air compressor, tool car and tamper did not happen. So we got 22 ties inserted in the roadbed. A couple more days and we will be out of this area. This week Richard will run the Tuesday night crew again and Thursday we have a shop meeting. Saturday we will take the compressor and tamper down and spike and tamp the replaced ties from 2 weeks work and try to change a few more. If we can get a big enough crew we will also start getting the ties ready for the turntable project. Also Tuesday Mike will spray the line at Hood. Also last week they found the line blocked again with a fence. This time I am happy to report that the rangers went down and removed the offending fence and were trying to track down the violator.

See you out on the line, Alan. Chris and Richard







