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Hello All,

With the rain Sunday night and Monday I would recommend going into the shop from 7th. St. as the field will be muddy from Jibboom St.

This week in review: Tuesday night most of the crew jack hammered concrete out of the flanges on track 25 in the erecting shop as now we have to bring all equipment in on the new track at the south end of the boiler shop and if we are pulling equipment onto the transfer table the locomotive will need to be able to go past the transfer table to spot the car on it. This project is still ongoing. I worked on the loader lights as most of them were not working. Still working on them but now most are working. Still need to get the horn replaced.

Thursday Alan and I went to the managers meeting while Richard took the crew down and adjusted the ground throw switch at Clunie. Saturday I ran the crew and we worked on switch 8 and 10 in the yard. On switch 8 we had some crooked ties along with the head block. We straightened the ties and adjusted the switch rods so the switch points were tight against the rails. On switch 10 we found that the switch was not level and on hot days the switch did not want to throw right. So we tamped up several of the ties which seemed to help. While cleaning out the switch we found that several of the switch plates were different causing the switch point to be forced up causing the problem. We looked for replacement plates but found none so will have to come back to this later, but for now it is much improved. Also on Tuesday the Tree and weed crew worked trimming trees with the man lift. The green stuff just keeps growing!

See you out on the line.
Chris and Alan

