

# MOW WEEKLY UPDATE!

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Hello MOW folks, Yes, you guessed it, time for more of your weekly update. You would think that with an update every week we might run out of things to update you about. That is the beauty of the MOW program, we are never at a loss for great adventures to share with our loyal readers. Without keeping you from the meat of the update let's get started.

## WEEK IN REVIEW:



Steve and Jack working on the track.

**Tuesday:** We were busy in the shops on Tuesday. Chris and Mike both worked on the tie shear in our continuing effort to get it out of the shops and into action. Pat and Gene were busy most of the day just outside of the shop doing important stuff. Richard was on the loader cleaning up rail dumped from the sidedump car. This car will return to setzer to pick up some old ties for disposal.

**Thursday:** Richard worked on priming the roof of the scarifier. Meanwhile, Sandy and John went down to pick up our last OTM at the Miller worksite and move it to setzer equipment yard. While there we went ahead and unloaded the MOW six-axle flatcar of stacks of 132 rail and OTM. For those wondering what OTM stands for it means Other Track Material. This includes bolts, spikes,

tie plates, and the like.

**Saturday:** Another day out on the I-5 bridge which is otherwise known as the OVEN! Let me just point out that it was inferno hot out there, so hot that we had to pack it in early. So what did we accomplish? Well we were able to finish greasing the last joint bar, and changed about 5 ties before we corrected the curve alignment. Finally we tamped the curve.

## WEEK AHEAD:

**Tuesday:** We will busy in the shops. So be ready to bend some wrenches. We may also be trimming some trees. We meet at the shops starting at 3:00 p.m. for those of a less labor intensive lifestyle and 5:00 p.m. for those who labor for a living.

**Thursday:** More work in the shops as normal we meet at 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday:** We meet at the shops at 8:00 a.m. for more wonderfully great times on the tracks of the Sacramento



Steve and Mike drive spikes while Steve looks on.

Southern Railroad.

See you out on the line,

John, Sandy, and Chris