

MOW WEEKLY UPDATE!

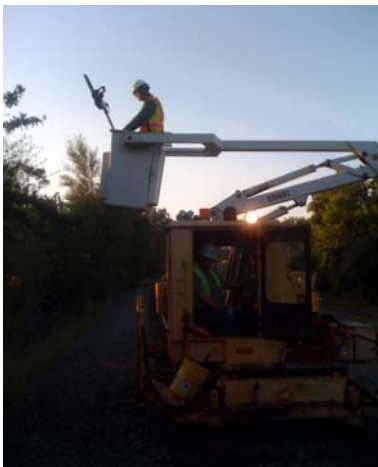
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Hello MOW Folks and welcome to the latest edition of the one and only... MOW UPDATE! (Please hold your applause until the end of the update) Before we get into the meat of the update, a **quick reminder for those of you who might be interested in participating in the Ione trip with the firetruck, we need you to RSVP by reply e-mail your intent by Wednesday, we need a crew for both Saturday and Sunday.** .



MOW Green Machine #2 with its wheels removed

WEEK IN REVIEW:



Trimming trees in the twilight

Tuesday: Tuesday was a busy day in the shops, we had three crews running. First, Gene and Pat went down the Cliff's to service our motor car in the container there in preparation for a VIP visit to that section of the track. You may be wondering who or what is the VIP. For that and other fun facts join us at MOW Tuesday, Thursday, or Saturday, and next weekend Sunday too. Mike worked in the shops clearing space around the ST&E 3 tender by request of the shop to give better access to the tender, he also worked on the Tamper. Richard, Sandy, and John all went out with the manlift and trimmed trees along the mainline between the switches at Miller Park.

Thursday: Thursday was a small crew, Bert continued work on building a roof for one of our motorcars while Richard removed oil from a drip pan under our rail mounted compressor. It was a filthy job but despite sour facial expressions at MOW management Richard did a good job.

Saturday: Saturday was a very very small crew of only one. Sandy Coats was lone ranger for the day trying to put out fires and such as best he could. While he was by himself he was able to help Upholstery Dept. move some more stuff to their new home in West Sacramento, and build a step on Green Machine 2. Which brings another action but dated on Friday, John and Harry were able to remove all four tires from Green Machine #2 so they may be taken to the tire repair and be replaced with new tires. On Sunday MOW was able to help out the handcar folk put away their track in the 100+ degree heat.



Sandy in the safety vest helping the Handcar folks clean up in Southside Park Sacramento

WEEK AHEAD:

Tuesday: We will be busy in the shops, still much to do and little time to do it. For those without the pain of a day job we meet at the shops at 3:00 p.m. or 5:00 p.m. for those still grinding away at the millstone.



Sandy standing at switch #10 as GR 10 leaves the station

Thursday: This is a continuation of Tuesday with a single start time of 5:00 p.m. at the shops

Saturday: The big day is here, Ione Rail fest will start this day and we will participate by taking the Model A fire truck up there. We will be meeting at the shops at 7:00 a.m. to load any last minute items and get up to Ione in a timely manor. We are going up Saturday and Sunday so we need crews for both days, of you want to go please RSVP as soon as

possible. **Also, as we will be out and about representing the Museum please bring your Docent Badge.**

See you out on the line,

John, Sandy, and Chris