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Roots Newsletter

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**THE FUTURE IS NOW:
MASON COUNTY LOGGING CO. #7
AND FRA 49 CFR 230**

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Plus:

**THE LAST OF AN
ENDANGERED SPECIES:
SIMPSON LUMBER COMPANY'S
LOGGING RAILROAD**

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MEMBERS ONLY**

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FRONT COVER PHOTO: *This year's Holiday Express will once again feature Mason County Logging #7, a Baldwin 2-6-2 T. After the 2014 event, we plan to put the #7 in the shop for its 15-year FRA mandated inspection and rebuild. We hope this will be completed within a year and the #7 returned to service. (Chris Baldo photo)*

BACK COVER PHOTO: *The snow refuses to melt in early December as Mason County Logging #7 leads a consist on the Roots main including the Simpson Fire Tender #1200, Milwaukee Road log car 2012, and the Simpson #6 ballast car. (Chris Baldo photo)*

ROOTS BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

The Roots Board of Directors usually meets on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00 PM. *All members and volunteers are encouraged to attend. There are no further meetings in 2014. Meetings in 2015 are:*

January 8	July 9
February 12	August 13
March 12	September 10
April 9	October 8
May 14	November 12
June 11	

Send an email to mail@rootsofmotivepower.com for the location of the next meeting you wish to attend.

ROOTS OF MOTIVE POWER INC.

This journal is the official publication of Roots of Motive Power, Inc., an organization dedicated to the preservation and restoration of logging and railroad equipment representative of California's North Coast Region, 1850s to the present.

MEMBERSHIP IS \$35.00 ANNUALLY.

Regular members vote for officers and directors who decide the general policy and direction of the organization.

LOCATION / CONTACT INFORMATION

Roots of Motive Power displays and demonstrations are located next to the Mendocino County Museum, at

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REMAINING 2014 ROOTS SPONSORED EVENTS IN WILLITS

December 6: Holiday Express

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HOLIDAY EXPRESS!!

Free
Train Rides!

Happy Holidays



Santa!
Free Toys!
Holiday Treats!



When: December 6
Admission: Free!!
Time: Noon to 6:00 p.m.
Where: Roots of Motive Power
420 Commercial St., Willits

Plus: Free admission to the Mendocino County Museum!



