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## **Celebrate Labor Day Weekend by Riding the Rails on the Sacramento Southern Railroad**

***With a 10 a.m. Departure Added, Historic Steam Train Rides Offered  
All Three Days of Holiday Weekend***

**SACRAMENTO, Calif.** – Offering the only train ride experience behind an authentic steam locomotive in the Sacramento area, California State Parks and the California State Railroad Museum & Foundation are proud to present history-rich excursion trains on the Sacramento Southern Railroad all three days of the extended Labor Day Weekend, September 1-3, 2018. For the special holiday weekend, an earlier 10 a.m. train departure has been added to the schedule (train rides normally start at 11 a.m. on weekends). Train ride guests on Labor Day Weekend can relax and enjoy memorable excursion train rides along the picturesque Sacramento River, all pulled by vintage steam locomotive Granite Rock No.10 that depart hourly from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (weather permitting).

Excursion train ride guests delight in the sights, smells and sounds of an authentic, historic locomotive as it rolls along the levees of the Sacramento River for a six-mile, 45-minute roundtrip excursion. Appealing to all ages, the experience offers guests the chance to enjoy train travel from an earlier era. The train features a combination of vintage closed coaches with comfortable seats, open-air “gondolas” with bench style seating or VIP train ride experiences onboard the first-class *El Dorado* lounge observation car.

Excursion train ride tickets are available to book online in advance at [www.californiarailroad.museum](http://www.californiarailroad.museum) or can be purchased in-person starting at 9:30 a.m. the day of the train ride (based on availability) at the ticket office in the Central Pacific Passenger Station (Front & J Streets) in Old Sacramento State Historic Park.

Regular excursion train tickets cost \$12 for adults, \$6 for youths (ages 6-17), and ages five and under ride free. For passengers desiring a first class train ride experience, tickets cost \$24 for adults, \$16 for youths and are free for children five and under. First class train tickets often sell out early so guests are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance. Groups interested in reserving the entire VIP car for a regularly scheduled ride need to do so in advance by calling 916-445-5995. If summer temperatures reach 100 degrees or higher, trains may be cancelled for the remainder of that day.

For more information about the weekend excursion train rides or the California State Railroad Museum in general, please call 916-323-9280.



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### **About the California State Railroad Museum Foundation**

*The mission of the California State Railroad Museum Foundation (CSRMF) is to generate revenue and awareness on behalf of its destinations, while supporting the preservation, interpretation and promotion of our railroad heritage. The Foundation provides funding for ongoing support of numerous programs, both at the museum's Old Sacramento location and at the historic park in Jamestown, Calif. The Foundation and its board of directors is currently laying groundwork for a future California Railroad Technology Museum capital campaign proposed as part of the downtown Sacramento railyard development project. For more information, please visit [www.californiarailroad.museum](http://www.californiarailroad.museum)*

