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## Colfax to receive Train Town USA status

**Colfax, Calif., Sept 29-** On Thursday October 4<sup>th</sup> the Union Pacific Railroad will stop its historic locomotive 844 in Colfax on the return trip to Cheyenne, Wyoming. During the layover officials of Union Pacific will bestow upon the City of Colfax the title of "Train Town USA". 844 is scheduled to arrive about 10:00 am with the ceremony following immediately.

According to Union Pacific "One hundred and fifty years ago, Union Pacific Railroad began building west from the Missouri River to the Pacific Ocean, opening a grand frontier to immigrants who settled in existing communities or started new ones along the rail lines.

That bond between our railroad and early settlements has strengthened and grown. Today, Union Pacific serves nearly 7,300 communities where we live, our children grow up, and in which we recruit employees. From rural town to metropolis, we're honored to have unique, long-standing community relationships.

As we commemorate Union Pacific's sesquicentennial and 150 years of growing up together, we invite our valued civic partners to join in the celebration, by telling their histories through Union Pacific's "Train Town USA" registry."

This celebration of Colfax's place in history makes a wonderful launch to the 2012 Colfax Railroad Days on October 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. This is an annual event which celebrates the contributions and accomplishments of the men and women who helped build the Transcontinental Railroad. For more information about Colfax Railroad Days, visit [www.psrhs.org](http://www.psrhs.org).

### **About Placer-Sierra Railroad Heritage Society**

The focus of the Placer Sierra Railroad Heritage Society is to research, document and preserve the development of the historic transportation corridor from Sacramento, California to Reno, Nevada. Their goals include interpreting the influence of railroad commerce and activities of the Placer-Sierra region, collecting and restoring memorabilia of local railroads, and working with other civic, historical and public organizations to accomplish these goals.

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