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Railtown 1897 Offers Special Behind-the-Scenes “Roundhouse Day” on February 14 *With Special Opportunity to View Annual Inspection of Sierra No. 3*

JAMESTOWN, Calif. – Before the historic locomotives start rolling along for a new season of train rides this spring, California State Parks and Railtown 1897 State Historic Park (SHP) are offering a behind-the-scenes “Roundhouse Day” on Saturday, February 14, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Park visitors will have the opportunity to watch important wintertime maintenance, cleaning and preparatory work being done inside and outside the Roundhouse and Historic Shops.

As part of this special event that showcases the inner workings of what keeps the historic locomotives and cars in operation at the Park, visitors will be able to view the annual inspection of Sierra No. 3 (also known as the “Movie Star Locomotive”). Railtown 1897 SHP guests can also see the historic belt-driven machine shop up in full operation and filled with activity plus participate in hourly tours. And, as a special highlight, Park visitors can watch a compelling slide show that highlights the current Sierra No. 28 project and ask questions during the presentation.

Widely known as “The Movie Railroad” due to the hundreds of films and movies that have been shot on-location at the historic site, Railtown 1897 SHP is home to the Historic Jamestown Shops and Roundhouse of the Sierra Railway. This one-of-a-kind attraction combines industrial heritage and railroad history with the lore of Hollywood’s film industry. The Railtown 1897 Interpretive Center, the authentic Roundhouse and Shops, and the Depot Store are among the Park’s unique year-round offerings.

Railtown 1897 SHP admission costs are as follows: \$5 for adults, \$3 for youths ages 6-17 and free for children five and under. For more information, call 209-984-3953 or visit www.railtown1897.org.

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