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Mission Statement of the Washington, Idaho & Montana Railway History Preservation Group:

"To locate, preserve, and archive all items of a historical nature relating to the history of the WI&MRy; to issue publications on this and related subjects; to encourage public interest in the history of the WI&M and the Potlatch Lumber Company; and, to acquire objects and property appropriate for a museum and/or any of the purposes listed above."

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The Restoration Work Begins!

After many long years depot restoration work began on June 25th, 2007. The contract for construction was awarded to Arnzen Building Construction of Cottonwood, Idaho with an anticipated completion of Phase I to be in early November. To date, the platforms have been removed along with all of the old foundations. The building is currently resting on very large steel beams while awaiting final earthwork and forming for the new foundation. The lower roof shingles have been removed and replacement rafters have been installed where needed.

A new foundation (below) and new hip roof (right) are just a few of the repairs that will be made to the Potlatch depot.



Photos: Don Somers (top),
T. Hillebrant (left and above)