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Central Pacific Transcontinental Railroad, Tunnel 34
Southern Pacific Donner Pass Route Tunnels
Milepost 145.4
Colfax vicinity
Placer County
California

For written information regarding Tunnel 34, please refer to Central Pacific Transcontinental Railroad (HAER No. CA-196). Note also that all references to tunnel portals are given in Southern Pacific Railroad terminology. Headquartered in San Francisco, the SP considered all trains heading *away* from San Francisco to be castbound, all trains heading *toward* San Francisco to be westbound, regardless of actual cardinal direction. Thus a train heading north from Los Angeles to Portland would be westbound until it passed San Francisco, at which time it would become castbound. Similarly, the railroad referred to all tunnels and other structures along its lines in the same fashion, with tunnels always having west and east portals. Direction of view in the captions will indicate cardinal direction.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

CA-206-1 West portal of Tunnel 34, contextual view to northcast from inside east end of Tunnel 33 (Cape Horn Tunnel), 135mm lens with electronic flash fill.

CA-206-2 West portal of Tunnel 34, view to northeast, 135mm lens.

CA-206-3 East portal of Tunnel 34, view to south-southwest, 135mm lens with electronic flash fill. Note the shift, in these later tunnels east of Colfax, to concrete portal faces with granite masonry voussoirs and coping.