

Council of Arroyo Seco Organizations Summer Meeting

Wednesday, June 28, 2006

The CASO Quarterly Meeting was held at the Flintridge Retreat Center, 236 W. Mountain Street, in Pasadena and began with socializing and refreshments at 6:30 pm.

Jeff Chapman, the Arroyo Seco Watershed Coordinator, chaired the meeting, which covered some hot topics of great interest to organizations concerned about the Arroyo.

Darryl Dunn, General Manager of the Rose Bowl Operating Company, made a presentation on the Greening of the Rose Bowl. He discussed the future of that athletic facility and the Strategic Plan now being developed. There were a lot of questions and discussion about how to include the Rose Bowl in the Arroyo Seco restoration campaign.

Tim Quinn, Deputy General Manager of Metropolitan Water District, then spoke on California's water situation. He spoke on sustainable water planning and how recent changes in the CALFED Bay Delta Program might affect Southern California.

Tim Brick, Managing Director of the Arroyo Seco Foundation, then discussed the LA River Revitalization Program in an attempt to answer the question: How Did the Arroyo Get Dropped? The latest plans on the LA River Revitalization have dropped the Arroyo Seco Confluence from the list of priority opportunity sites. Tim led a discussion of the significance of this decision and what we can do about it.

Representatives of CASO organizations then reported on their activities and announced upcoming events.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.
