

# Council of Arroyo Seco Organizations



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The regular meeting of the Council of Arroyo Seco Organizations took place at the Los Angeles River Center at 570 West Avenue 26, Los Angeles, CA 90065 in the Atrium. The representatives of CASO groups started gathering at 6:30 pm to partake of light refreshments and network about Arroyo Seco issues and activities.

Tim Brick chaired the event and began the formal business meeting at 7:00 pm.

The first item of discussion was the development of a natural hillside area in Northeast Los Angeles known as “Flat Top.” Flat Top is an expansive and exquisite piece of undeveloped land located in Montecito Heights, Lincoln Heights and Happy Valley in Northeast Los Angeles. Foursquare Church, the owners of 21 acres extending along Flat Top, has announced plans to build as many as 36 houses along its steep hillsides. Open green space is a valuable, diminishing and threatened resource, vital to physical and emotional well-being, and essential to native plant and animal species.

The second item was a presentation by Nicole Possert on the design, programming and implementation of a cohesive signage and wayfinding system linking four major transportation modes (the Arroyo Seco Parkway— formerly Pasadena Freeway, local streets, Metro’s Gold Line, a network of bicycle routes and pedestrian rights-of-way) with business districts and interpretive sites within the Arroyo Seco Corridor. This effort is part of the “Interpreting the Arroyo Seco” grant to develop a comprehensive Interpretive & Marketing Plan for the Arroyo Seco Parkway National Scenic Byway (ASPNSB)

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm.