

PROPOSED GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR STEWARDSHIP OF THE ARROYO SECO

Based upon community input received during its outreach and engagement efforts, the Arroyo Advisory Group recommends that decisions affecting the Arroyo Seco shall be guided by the following principles which reflect the importance of this historic resource for all citizens of Pasadena and the recognition that the area is a great natural open space that offers a respite from the intense urbanization of Southern California and also provides significant recreation, entertainment and education opportunities as well as funding that benefits the community:

1. The Arroyo Seco will be respected as a natural environment and the activities, maintenance and improvements within it will, to the fullest extent practical, preserve the natural character of the setting.
2. The Arroyo Seco will also be maintained as an important recreational, entertainment and education resource for the community in appropriate areas.
3. Natural elements, including streams, trees, flowers, grasses, habitats and natural topography will be restored and preserved to the fullest extent practicable.
4. Maintenance, improvements and construction within the Arroyo Seco will be of a quality and design that appropriately reflects the natural setting.
5. Activities in the Arroyo Seco will be managed and coordinated such that undue congestion will be avoided and neighboring residential areas will be respected.
6. To assure adequate funding of maintenance, enhancement, management and coordination of the Arroyo Seco, while respecting its natural environment, measures consistent with these principles may be undertaken from time to time within the Arroyo Seco to generate funding.