

# **Springbrook Heritage Alliance**

## **Supports Highgove Metrolink stop**

This new citizens group, formed earlier this year to stop the further destruction of the special natural and man-made landmarks associated with the historic Springbrook Arroyo, is also going on record in support of the proposed Highgove Metrolink Stop.

“We think a commuter-train stop at the location as proposed by Barney Barnett not only makes a lot of sense,” said Springbrook Heritage Alliance spokesman and co-founder Karen Renfro of Riverside, “but would also bring people to the very places in and around the Springbrook Arroyo communities that we want to see preserved and restored.”

The alliance actually is finalizing a proposal of their own--the establishment of a unique system of existing parks, open spaces, historical sites, nature preserves, community centers, and bikeways to be connected by a system of formal and informal walking trails--that crosses the Riverside-San Bernardino county line and involves the communities of Highgrove, Riverside’s Northside Neighborhood Association, Colton, and Grand Terrace. They even have a name for it: Springbrook Heritage Parklands and Walking Trails.

The proposed site for the Highgrove Metrolink Stop would be a major component of this system and increase public interest in the beauty of the natural features that can be seen from Springbrook Arroyo communities as well as the area’s fascinating history.

## **California State Senator Richard Roth hosts meeting in Riverside about Metrolink Station.**

I want to thank Senator Richard Roth for meeting with me at his office in Riverside on Sept. 11, 2014 about the Metrolink station location.

I was able to show him the public’s long time concerns regarding Metrolink station location, costs, destinations, and availability of existing trains that go through Highgrove every day of the week.

No commitment was made by Senator Roth except that he would familiarize himself with the public’s position and try to find out why RCTC has chosen the Marlborough Ave. location instead of the Highgrove location for a future Metrolink site.