

ARWEC “Walk on the Wild Side” Event

On Saturday, May 18, 2013, staff members and volunteers from the Central California Area Office’s American River Water Education Center (ARWEC) participated in “Walk on the Wild Side” at Beach Lake Park in Freeport, Calif.

ARWEC staff members Joan Roush and Jonathan Meurer and volunteers Joe Aichroth, Jack Carr, Jessica Roush, Peggy Prior and Auston Tague visited with some 400 visitors at the free, family-oriented outdoor festival, which featured live animal presentations and conservation exhibitors.



Joe Aichroth, Jack Carr and Joan Roush

“Walk on the Wild Side” focused on protecting native Central Valley habitats and wildlife and celebrated International Migratory Bird Day (<http://www.birdday.org/>), which highlights the migration of nearly 350 species of birds between nesting habitats in North America and non-breeding grounds in Latin America, Mexico and the Caribbean.

At the event, ARWEC promoted water conservation and the protection of the American River Watershed. The staff members and volunteers distributed brochures about Folsom Dam, water conservation and ARWEC; made water-cycle bracelets with the many children who attended; and entertained visitors with a prize wheel they could spin to win prizes for answering water-related questions.

For additional information on ARWEC, please visit <http://www.usbr.gov/mp/arwec/index.html> or link to the ARWEC brochure at <http://www.usbr.gov/mp/arwec/docs/Brochure%202012.pdf>.



Jessica Roush and Joe Aichroth

