

CONFERENCE CANCELLED

I have only received 28 registrations for the conference. After consultation with the rest of our informal organizing committee, we have come to the unfortunate decision that we will have to cancel the meeting at Lake Arrowhead. The group felt that we would be unlikely to have the level of content and discussion that have characterized prior New England Doppler Conferences, since there were not enough participants.

I sent out a few personal e-mails to people who in the past have attended the meeting but are not registered for this one. The reasons indicated for not coming were varied, but clustered around 1: the economy, 2: lack of their own research or not enough progress for their student's research and 3: many personal reasons. It seems like there is a confluence of factors that is making it difficult for people to attend the meeting this year.

An important question remains as to the future of the New England Doppler Conference and whether we should try to plan another meeting in the next 1-2 years. In order to help the organizing committee, I have offered to send a questionnaire covering issues with this meeting, interest in a future meeting and selection of possible venues. We would appreciate as much input from you as possible to let us know where we should go from here.

We sincerely apologize for the inconvenience for those who have already purchased travel. We know that this will create problems for you, but the cost of continuing the meeting with too few registrants was prohibitive. All the checks sent for your registration fee will be returned to you within the next few weeks. I personally regret having to be the bearer of these sad tidings, but in consultation with the others, feel that this is in the best interest of the group. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Best Regards,
Denny

(I would like to thank John Kucewicz for his invaluable help in creating this web page for the conference.)