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Presentation to
**Long Beach Water
Department**

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Your Team in Washington



Julie Minerva

- A native Californian, has worked on major infrastructure investments in 25 states and American Samoa.
- A frequent speaker at national conferences focusing on water and transportation infrastructure including the National Association of Flood and Stormwater Management Agencies (NAFSMA), the American Association of Port Authorities (AAPA) and the National Waterways Conference (NWC).
- Serves on the Board of the National Waterways Conference.
- Recognized as a “Top 40 under 40” lobbyist by Washingtonian Magazine for her representation of local government clients and work in the infrastructure space.
- Started her federal career as a legislative staffer for Congressman Robert T. Matsui.



Laura Morgan-Kessler

- Brings fifteen years of federal advocacy experience working on behalf of water agencies.
- Maintains strong working relationships with the Long Beach Congressional delegation and their staff, Congressional committee and federal agencies including the Army Corps of Engineers, the Bureau of Reclamation, the Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.
- Coordinates with regional and national groups such as the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA).
- Worked as a legislative staffer for Senator Dianne Feinstein on water infrastructure and natural resources issues.

Working on Your Behalf

- Maintain relationships with Long Beach Congressional delegation and congressional committees with jurisdiction over water issues
- Attend (virtually) Congressional hearings and markups
- Monitor federal agency regulatory actions
- Provide insight into federal grants
- Represent the Water Department at association meetings in Washington (ACWA)
- Analyze federal legislation and its impacts to the Water Department

2020: A Year in Review

- Fiscal Year 2021 Appropriations
- Federal Grants
 - Title XVI Water Recycling and Reuse (\$1.9 million)
 - WaterSMART Drought Response Program (\$750,000)
 - Letters of support from Lowenthal and Barragan obtained for several Water Department grant applications
- Congressional Legislation
 - COVID-19 Relief
 - Moving America Forward Act
- Federal Agency Actions
 - Navigable Waters Protection Rule (previously known as Waters of the U.S. Rule)

2021: A Look Ahead with New Opportunities

- 117th Congress Legislative Outlook
- Biden Administration/Federal Agency Personnel
- Biden Administration Executive Actions
- President Biden COVID-19 Rescue and Recovery Plans
- Water Department Upcoming Virtual Meetings

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