ENERGY, WATER & ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL
September 21, 2018
10-11:30AM

1. WELCOME & SELF-INTRODUCTIONS- Brissa Sotelo-Vargas

2. PRESENTATIONS
   A Conversation with Federal EPA Region 9
   • Sylvia Quast
     Regional Counsel, US EPA Region 9
   • Noah Perch-Ahren
     Partner, Greenberg Glusker
   Sylvia Quast, regional counsel for EPA Region 9, joins us for a discussion about the EPA’s enforcement policies in California. She oversees 70 attorneys in Region 9 that are responsible for enforcing federal environmental laws. Moderating the discussion is Noah Perch-Ahren, council co-chair and Partner at Greenberg Glusker.
   Q&A

Los Angeles’ Sustainability City pLAn
• Katie Goldman
   Climate Advisor, Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti’s Office of Sustainability
   Katie Goldman is a Climate Advisor in Mayor Garcetti’s Office of Sustainability. Part of her portfolio includes working on updates to LA’s Sustainability City pLAn. The pLAn was released in 2015, and the Mayor committed to update the plan every four years. Goldman will provide updates on the pLAn, its refresh process, and how the City is incorporating goals and strategies into it to support the Paris Agreement.
   Q&A

3. Updates
   • Legislative Update

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   • SCAQMD Refinery Committee Meeting, 9/21 @9am
   • Pancakes & Politics, 9/28
   • ACCESS City Hall, 10/17
   • Mobility 21 Summit, 10/19
   • State of Infrastructure, 11/7
Sylvia Quast
Regional Counsel
United States Environmental Protection Agency’s Region 9

Sylvia Quast is the Regional Counsel for the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s Region 9, where she leads an office of approximately 70 attorneys and staff responsible for the enforcement of the federal environmental laws in California, Arizona, Nevada, and the Pacific Islands. Prior to coming on board at EPA, she was the Executive Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney’s Office for the Eastern District of California, where she shared management responsibility with the U.S. Attorney and the First Assistant U.S. Attorney for a 175-member Office.

From 2005-2008, Ms. Quast was an attorney at the Resources Law Group in Sacramento, where she provided strategic conservation advice to philanthropic organizations and individuals, as well as local governments. While at RLG, she served as finance coordinator for the Proposition 84 campaign, which secured $5.4 billion in bond funding for clean water and conservation in California, and helped to develop a long-term restoration plan for the San Francisco Bay Salt Pond project, the largest wetland restoration project in the western United States.

Prior to 2005, Ms. Quast was a senior attorney with the United States Department of Justice’s Environment and Natural Resources Division in Washington, D.C., where she litigated numerous environmental cases in the United States Supreme Court, the federal courts of appeal, and the district courts, including a month-long Clean Water Act enforcement trial in California. She also prepared Department officials for Congressional hearings, press conferences, and other public presentations and appearances. Among her other responsibilities, she served as the Department’s representative on the United States Coral Reef Task Force.
Kathryn (Katie) Goldman
Climate Advisor
Mayor Eric Garcetti’s Office of Sustainability

Kathryn (Katie) Goldman has over fifteen years of experience as a carbon accountant including developing greenhouse gas inventories, greenhouse gas measurement and verification protocols, climate action plans, and guidance on assessing climate policy impacts. Prior to joining C40 and the City of LA, Goldman was a Senior Fellow with the Greenhouse Gas Management Institute (GHGMI) where she focused on building workforce capacity in carbon accounting and led GHGMI in providing technical assistance to the Initiative for Climate Action Transparency. Previously, as an instructor at UCLA’s Institute of the Environment and Sustainability, Goldman mentored undergraduates in completing senior projects related to climate change policy. As the Director of Policy for a Los Angeles based non-profit, Climate Resolve, she worked on local climate mitigation and adaptation initiatives. Goldberg has also worked for the US government (USDA and US EPA), the Climate Action Reserve, and as an independent consultant.
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8:30 a.m. Program
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