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Dear Chairman Hochschild and Commission Douglas,

Secretary Wade Crowfoot at the Natural Resources Agency would like to appoint Deputy Secretary for Legislation Miranda Flores to the Lithium Valley Commission. Please see her bio below. Thank you for your leadership in this area. The Natural Resources Agency is looking forward to the Commission's recommendations.

Best, Matt Baker

Miranda Flores was appointed by Governor Gavin Newsom in June 2020 to serve as Deputy Secretary of Legislation at the California Natural Resources Agency. In this capacity, she serves as a principal liaison between the Agency, including its commissions, boards, conservancies, and departments, and the state legislature, advising on legislative priorities.

Prior to her appointment at CNRA, Miranda was the legislative director in the Office of State Assembly Member Bill Quirk. During her time in the Office of State Assembly Member Bill Quirk she held several positions, including interim chief of staff, legislative aide and executive assistant. Flores was with the California State Legislature for 17 years and worked in other legislative offices including State Senate President pro Tempore Darrell Steinberg, State Senator Jenny Oropeza. Miranda has a strong interest energy policy and is a member of California Women in Energy.

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