

Speaking to the Issues

State Senator Ricardo Lara

District 33



Raised in East Los Angeles, Senator Ricardo Lara represents Southeast Los Angeles County, Long Beach, and some of the nation's busiest and most polluted transportation

corridors. Sen. Lara is one of California's most effective environmental champions. He authored Senate Bill 605 (2014) and the Super Pollutant Reduction Act, and Senate Bill 1383 (2016) to slash emissions of black carbon, methane, and fluorinated gases. Sen. Lara also authored Senate Bill 1204 (2014), which created the Clean Truck, Bus, and Off-Road Vehicle and Equipment Technology Program. In 2017, he successfully advocated for the single largest investment in clean air in California's history – nearly \$1 billion to reduce diesel exhaust and \$140 million to reduce super-pollutants. Sen. Lara is an ex-officio member of the Air Resources Board and was nominated for the 2017 Climate and Clean Air Awards with Governor Brown and ARB for his work on short-lived climate pollutants.

State Senator Fran Pavley (ret.)

District 27



Senator Fran Pavley began her career as a middle school teacher. She went on to serve for 29 years as an elected official focusing on environmental issues including air

and water quality, clean energy, cleaner cars, and climate change. She served for 15 years first as City Council member and later as the first Mayor of Agoura Hills. She was elected to the California State Assembly in 2000 and to the State Senate in 2008. She was the author of several of the California's

landmark climate change laws including Assembly Bills 1493 and 32, and Senate Bill 32. As author of AB 32, the Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006, she helped to create a groundbreaking cap-and-trade system to reduce California's greenhouse gas emissions. In 2016, she cemented her legacy by authoring and passing SB 32, which extended California's emissions reduction goals to 40 percent below 1990 levels by 2030.

Stephanie Wiggins

Deputy CEO, LA Metro



Ms. Wiggins has over 20 years of experience working for transportation agencies. Prior to joining LA Metro, she served as Regional Programs Director for the Riverside County

Transportation Commission and oversaw transit, commuter rail, rideshare, goods movement and rail capital projects. Her most recent position with Metro was serving as the Executive Director of Vendor/Contract Management. She is a member of the WTS-LA Board Chapter, Transportation Research Board (TRB) Congestion Pricing Committee and TRB Research and Technology Coordinating Committee. She earned a B.A. from Whittier College and an M.B.A. from University of Southern California.

Tom Steyer

Founder & President, NextGen America



Mr. Steyer is a business leader and philanthropist who believes we have a moral responsibility to give back and help ensure that every family shares the benefits of economic opportunity,

education, and a healthy climate. In 2010, Tom Steyer and his wife, Kat Taylor, pledged to contribute most of their wealth to charitable

causes during their lifetimes. That same year, Tom worked to defeat Proposition 23, an attempt by the oil industry to roll back California's historic plan to reduce pollution and address climate change. In 2012, Tom led a campaign to invest hundreds of millions of dollars in California schools annually by closing a corporate tax loophole. Tom founded and served as President of NextGen Climate, an organization he founded in 2013 to prevent climate disaster and promote prosperity for all Americans. In 2017 NextGen Climate expanded their progressive fight to include immigration, health care, prosperity, and equality — as NextGen America. Tom and Kat live in San Francisco and have four children.

Supervisor Sheila Kuehl

Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors; Member Governing Board, South Coast Air Quality Management District



Supervisor Sheila Kuehl was elected in 2014 to represent Los Angeles County's Third Supervisorial District. Sheila Kuehl is a longtime champion for clean water, clean

air, open spaces, affordable housing and services for the homeless population. Her effectiveness as a state legislator is legendary. She got 171 bills passed in her 14 year tenure, including laws that gave businesses a tax break for using zero-emission vehicles and that expanded parkland in the Santa Monica Mountains. As a State Senator, she also chaired the Natural Resources and Water Committee which oversees the California Environmental Quality Act. As a Supervisor, she now sits on the governing board of the AQMD, LA Metro and First 5 LA. She has been honored by countless environmental organizations including Environment California, the California League of Conservation Voters, the California Regional Water Quality Board, and the Wildlife Conservation Board.