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Natural Resource Agency Announces Acting Director for California State Parks

On behalf of John Laird, Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency:

I am pleased to announce that Lisa Mangat will serve as Acting Director for the California Department of Parks and Recreation effective immediately. Lisa has served as the Special Assistant to the Director of State Parks since October 2013.

Lisa's broad state government experience will be a benefit as the Department moves forward and continues to work with various partners, including the Parks Forward Commission as they complete their report on the financial, operational, and cultural challenges facing the state parks system.

Prior to coming to Parks, Lisa was a Program Budget Manager at the Department of Finance. She also has served as a Senior Fiscal and Policy Analyst at the Legislative Analyst's Office and a Principal Consultant for the California Legislature.

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