

# WaterTalks For Agencies and Electeds



## Workshop 2: Community-Engaged Planning

Upper Los Angeles River Watershed Area

Thursday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> | 10AM – 12PM | On Zoom!

Speaker Bios:

### **Dora Armenta**

Lead Project Planner, Pacoima Beautiful

Dora Fietze-Armenta believes that everyone has a right to live in a safe, healthy, and thriving community. Growing up in one of the most polluted communities in California, it became her personal and professional mission to work with communities that have experienced environmental and economic injustices, seeking to change that reality. At Pacoima Beautiful, she serves as the Lead Project Planner where she supports community engagement in the Transformative Climate Community grant projects and manages planning efforts related to green infrastructure, active and alternative transportation, and parks and open space. She has a bachelor's degree in Sociology and Chicano Studies from Cal State Fullerton and a master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from UCLA.

### **Carlos Moran**

Watershed Coordinator, Council for Watershed Health

With a Masters degree in social work, Carlos Moran's experience includes designing and implementing high impact strategies that intersect mental health, public health and environmental justice. His passion is bringing people together to think big and multi-benefit. His work has resulted in large scale investments in Los Angeles' most economically, environmentally and health stressed communities. Carlos also serves as adjunct faculty in the USC School of Social Work where he teaches graduate courses in policy, research & program evaluation and organizational management.

### **Adi Liberman**

Watershed Coordinator, Environmental Outreach Strategies

Adi Liberman is the Principal and Founder of Environmental Outreach Strategies, Inc., a consulting practice that specializes in building bridges for clients who face tough environmental issues. Adi serves as one of three Watershed Coordinators for the Upper Los Angeles River Watershed Area for the County of Los Angeles' Safe, Clean Water Program. As Watershed Coordinator, Adi will educate and build capacity in communities and facilitate community and stakeholder engagement with the Safe, Clean Water Program. Adi received his Master of Public Affairs degree from Princeton University's School of Public and International Affairs (formerly known as the Woodrow Wilson School) and received his BA with highest honors from Pitzer College, a member of the Claremont Colleges, CA.