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## **General Manager Ana M. Lasso Appointed Director of the California Department of General Services**

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The Office of Exposition Park Management congratulates Ana M. Lasso on her appointment to serve as director of the California Department of General Services.

Lasso, who has served as general manager in the Office of Exposition Park Management since 2014, represented the State of California in an unprecedented period of growth at Exposition Park. She negotiated long-term lease agreements with the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art and with the Los Angeles Football Club. She also supported the California African American Museum, the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County, the California Science Center, the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, and the University of Southern California in their expansion projects at Exposition Park.

Lasso led a four-year effort to create a visionary Exposition Park Master Plan, which was approved by Exposition Park's Board of Directors in October of 2020. The Master Plan charts a course for development at Exposition Park over the next 25 years.

"Ana's contribution to the Office of Exposition Park Management and the State of California cannot be overstated," said Wade Crowfoot, Secretary of the California Natural Resources Agency. "Under Ana's leadership, Expo Park has marked numerous accomplishments that elevated Expo Park's profile, including agreements LA Football Club and the Lucas Museum of Narrative Art. We're excited to continue working with Ana in her new capacity on future work at Expo Park and within CNRA."

Lasso will begin her new role as Department of General Services director on April 19. Vanessa Esparza, assistant general manager in the Office of Exposition Park Management, will serve as acting general manager once Lasso's appointment takes effect.

### **About Exposition Park**

Exposition Park is a 152-acre site situated just south of Downtown Los Angeles. It is home to world class museums, leading edge sporting venues and community assets that educate, entertain and accommodate visitors from near and far. Exposition Park was a site for the 1932 and 1984 Summer Olympic Games and will be a site for the 2028 Olympic Games.

### **About the Office of Exposition Park Management:**

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The Office of Exposition Park Management is a Department of the State of California, and the State is the primary landowner of Exposition Park. The OEPM is tasked with managing the daily operation of Exposition Park.

### **About the Board of Directors for Exposition Park and the California Science Center**

Appointed by the Governor, the nine-member Board of Directors supports the California Science Center and Office of Exposition Park Management (OEPM) by providing policy direction, guidance and approval of leases and contracts as they relate to the respective missions, goals and objectives.

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