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## **Gloria D. Gray Receives Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute Honor and Frontline Soldiers Hall Of Fame Recognition**

CARSON, Calif. — Gloria D. Gray, Board Director of West Basin Municipal Water District (West Basin) and the Metropolitan Water District (MWD) has been recognized with two prestigious awards for her involvement in community and conservation programs.

On October 6<sup>th</sup>, Los Angeles African American Women's Public Policy Institute (LAAAWPPI) honored Gloria D. Gray as role model and woman in a powerful position. Gray's achievements were acknowledged in her 36-year career to the Los Angeles County Department of Health and Human Services and other public service areas. LAAAWPPI recognizes African-American women who attain a position of power in government and public policy as well as in business and the community.

A week later, on October 15<sup>th</sup>, Gray was presented with the Frontline Soldiers Hall of Fame recognition from Pathways to Your Future for her work to empower communities in Los Angeles. Among the recipients were Members of the California State Assembly and United States Congress whose efforts and involvement have resonated throughout the cities of the Los Angeles area.

Gloria D. Gray was elected to the West Basin Board in 2006 as the first African-American woman elected to the Board in its near 60-year history. Director Gray represents the Division II cities of Inglewood, South Ladera Heights, a portion of Lennox and Athens, Howard and Ross-Sexton. In April 2010, she was appointed to the Delta Stewardship Council by House Speaker Karen Bass. Director Gray serves as one of West Basin's two representatives on the Metropolitan Water District Board of Directors. Prior to serving on the West Basin Board, she served two terms on the Board of the Inglewood Unified School District from 1995 - 2003 and was elected an Executive Board Member for the Los Angeles County Democratic Party Central Committee, 51st Assembly District.

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For more information about the LAAAWPPI, visit [www.laawpii.org](http://www.laawpii.org). For more information about the Pathways to Your Future, visit [www.ptyf.org](http://www.ptyf.org).

*Since the District's formation in 1947, West Basin Municipal Water District has remained steadfast in its commitment to ensuring water reliability. Faced with current and future water supply challenges, West Basin has launched a far-reaching initiative that increases supply dependability by producing new local resources. The Water Reliability 2020 program will reduce our dependence on imported water by extending recycled water pipelines, doubling conservation, expanding water education programs and developing ocean-water desalination. The combination of these efforts will increase regional control of local supplies of water from 33 percent today to 66 percent in 2020 and serve to protect our region's precious drinking water supply. To learn more about Water Reliability 2020 and for information on free tours and conservation classes, visit [www.westbasin.org](http://www.westbasin.org).*