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California 2nd
Rep. Jared Huffman (D)

Representative Jared Huffman (D-San Rafael) was sworn in as a member of the 113th Congress on January 3, 2013 to represent California's second district. The district spans from the Golden Gate Bridge north to the Oregon border, covering six counties including all of Marin, Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity, and Del Norte, and much of Sonoma Counties.

Huffman is a member of the Committee on Natural Resources and the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

Prior to his election to Congress in November of 2012, Huffman served six years in the California State Assembly where he authored more than 60 pieces of successful legislation and received numerous awards for his legislative leadership. Huffman chaired the Water, Parks, and Wildlife Committee, served on the Budget Committee and was co-chair of the Legislative Environmental Caucus.

In the Assembly, Huffman distinguished himself as a legislator who tackles complex public policy challenges, works tirelessly, and gets results – often by forging bipartisan consensus on difficult issues. He played a leading role in crafting and passing the historic package of water reforms in 2009. Other notable laws authored by Huffman include California's pioneering lighting efficiency standards (AB 1109) which were subsequently adopted into federal law; the nation's largest programs for solar hot water heating (AB 1470) and paint recycling (AB 1343); reforms that improve California's State Parks system (AB 1589) and Department of Fish and Wildlife (AB 2402); and creation of a new voluntary type of corporation, California Benefit Corporations, to promote corporate social responsibility (AB 361).



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Prior to his election to public office, Huffman was a Senior Attorney for the Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC). One of his proudest accomplishments at NRDC was helping forge an agreement to restore a 153-mile stretch of the San Joaquin River in California's Central Valley.

Before he joined NRDC, Huffman was a successful public interest attorney whose victories included several major jury verdicts in gender discrimination and race discrimination trials. He also served 12 years in local government as a Director of Marin County's largest special district, the Marin Municipal Water District (MMWD), from 1994 to 2006.

Huffman graduated magna cum laude from the University of California at Santa Barbara, where he was also a three-time NCAA All-American volleyball player. He went on to play for the USA Volleyball Team in 1987 when the team was ranked #1 in the world, before attending and graduating cum laude from Boston College Law School.

Huffman lives in Marin with his wife Susan and their two children, Abby and Nathan. In his free time, Huffman enjoys all types of fishing, as well as tennis and home winemaking.



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**California 47th
Rep. Alan Lowenthal
(D)**

Congressman Alan Lowenthal is serving his fourth term in the U.S. House of Representatives representing California's 47th District, which encompasses portions of eastern Los Angeles County and western Orange County. He was first elected in 2012 and reelected in 2014, 2016, and 2018.

Prior to joining Congress, he served a two-decade tenure as, first, a Long Beach, California city council member, then, as a California legislator. In Washington, D.C., Congressman Lowenthal has continued his dedication to common-sense bipartisan solutions that earned him a reputation among his colleagues and constituents as one of the most respected and effective legislators in both Long Beach and Sacramento.

Born March 8, 1941, Congressman Alan Lowenthal was raised in the Queens Borough of New York City. After earning his Bachelor's Degree from Hobart and William Smith Colleges and his Ph.D. from Ohio State University, he moved to Long Beach, California in 1969 where he taught Community Psychology at California State University, Long Beach until 1998.

Congressman Lowenthal successfully ran for Long Beach City Council in 1992, where he served for six years. He then continued his leadership in Sacramento, first serving three terms as a State Assembly member, then two terms as a State Senator.

As a city council member, and then as a state legislator, the Congressman fought against the then-commonplace private and public sector belief that environmental protections and economic success at the ports of Long Beach and Los Angeles were mutually exclusive. His landmark environmental legislative efforts helped lead the two adjacent ports toward becoming the cleanest and greenest ports in the world, while



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also remaining the busiest and most successful container port complex in the Western Hemisphere. The green business model advocated by the Congressman and instituted by the two ports has become a role model for ports throughout the world.

While a State Assembly member, and as a founding member of the Assembly's Bipartisan Caucus, he paved the way for creation of California's first ever independent Citizens Redistricting Commission, which took the power of redistricting out of the hands of politicians and gave it back to the people. In addition, the Congressman led legislative efforts to revamp the state's K-12 and higher education systems. He championed the College Promise Partnership Act to help K-12 students better transition to college. The passage of his Student Success Act also helped higher education students by introducing significant reforms to the state community college system that focused on increasing graduation and transfer rates.

In Congress, he serves on both the House Natural Resources Committee (HNRC) and the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee (T&I). He is the Chair of the HNRC's Energy and Mineral Resources subcommittee. He also serves on the HNRC's National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands and the Water, Oceans, and Wildlife subcommittees. As a member of the T&I Committee, he serves on the Highways and Transit, the Water Resources and Environment, the Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, and the Railroads, Pipelines, and Hazardous Materials subcommittees.

Representing one of the most ethnically diverse districts in the nation, Congressman Lowenthal has championed human rights in Congress, not just at home, but throughout the world. He



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has also brought his strong support for LGBT rights to Washington, where he became the first Congress member to permanently fly the Pride flag outside his office. In addition, he has continued his long history of fighting for environmental protections, with a new mission to bring the issue of climate change to the front in Congress as chair of the more than 60-member Safe Climate Caucus.



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**California 3rd
Rep. John Garamendi
(D)**

John Garamendi joined the U.S. House of Representatives on November 5, 2009. He brings nearly four decades of public service to the House Armed Services and Transportation & Infrastructure committees where he serves as a senior Democratic member. Additionally, he is the chair of the House Armed Forces Readiness Subcommittee.

Garamendi has been a tireless proponent of job creation, quality and affordable health care, education, environmental protection, and scientific research, while always working to ensure the stability and success of the state he has always called home.

Garamendi was raised on his family's cattle ranch in Mokelumne Hill. He graduated with a BA in business from UC Berkeley and an MBA from Harvard Business School.

Garamendi and his wife started their married life as Peace Corps volunteers teaching and doing community development work in Ethiopia. Patti has served as Assistant Director of the Peace Corps and as a Deputy Administrator at the United States Department of Agriculture's Foreign Agricultural Service. John and Patti live in Walnut Grove and have six children and thirteen grandchildren.

As California's 46th Lieutenant Governor, Garamendi was Chair of the Commission for Economic Development, where he transformed this important body into a powerhouse to advocate for workforce development, vocational education, and research. As a Regent of the University of California and Trustee for the California State University System, Garamendi fought to hold the line on student fee increases and excessive administrator salaries. As Chair of the California State Lands Commission, he led the fight against new offshore oil drilling.



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**California 16th
Rep. Jim Costa (D)**

Jim Costa was sworn in as a Member of the U.S. House of Representatives representing California's 16th Congressional District in January, 2005. Raised on a dairy farm in Fresno's Kearney Park area, Congressman Costa is a third-generation family farmer. As a Member of Congress, Costa has applied his farming background to fighting for Valley water, agriculture, and the economy.

A lifelong resident of the Valley, Costa's committee assignments allow him to effectively advocate for the district. Costa uses his position on the Natural Resources Committee to fight for the Valley's fair share of water. This includes securing funding for dams, working to overturn unfair federal water regulations, and increasing Valley water allocations. On the Agriculture Committee, Costa has worked to increase federal support for Valley agriculture through the Farm Bill and other programs. When a milk price crisis devastated the region's dairy industry, Costa introduced legislation to protect Valley dairy families and local jobs. In addition to his committee assignments, Costa is a member of the fiscally-conservative Blue Dog Coalition and has worked with his colleagues to support more responsible budgeting practices.

Costa's work to improve the Valley stretches across the district. During his first term in office, Costa put together a broad-based bipartisan coalition aimed at developing a Regional Water Plan for Central California. He also led the negotiations between the City of Fresno and the State of California that secured the final funding necessary to complete the new Amtrak station in Fresno. During the 109th Congress, Costa played a leading role in the bipartisan effort to secure Highway 99 funding in the infrastructure bonds approved by California voters in 2006. Costa was also a principal in the successful effort to secure Congressional approval of plans to



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keep Fresno's 144th Air National Guard Fighter Wing viable
well into the future.



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**California 42nd
Rep. Ken Calvert (R)**

Ken Calvert, a lifelong resident of Riverside County and 17-year small business owner in the restaurant and real estate industries, represents the 42nd Congressional District of southern California. Calvert was born on June 8, 1953 and attended neighborhood public schools, graduating from Corona High School in 1971. He attended two years at Chaffey College and then enrolled at San Diego State University, where he graduated in 1975 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Economics. Throughout his life, Ken has been actively involved and served in leadership roles with several local community volunteer organizations, including the Corona Chamber of Commerce, the Corona Rotary, and the Corona-Norco Family YMCA.

The 42nd District encompasses the western edge of Riverside County including the cities of Eastvale, Norco, Corona, Lake Elsinore, Wildomar, Canyon Lake, Menifee, Murrieta and a portion of Temecula.

Rep. Calvert was first elected to the House of Representatives in 1992 and is one of the most senior members serving in the legislative body. Rep. Calvert is the Dean of the California Republican Delegation.

In the 116th Congress, Rep. Calvert continues to serve on the House Appropriations Committee where he is the Ranking Member of the Defense Subcommittee. Rep. Calvert also serves on the Energy and Water Subcommittee.

In the 116th Congress, Rep. Calvert's legislative priorities includes: enacting pro-growth policies that will help strengthen our economy for American families; supporting the men and women serving in our military around the world; fixing our broken immigration system by restoring the rule of law and



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making the use of E-Verify mandatory for all employers in the U.S.; honoring promises made to our veterans, advocating for

NIH research for cures for our most deadly diseases; creating long-term solutions to California's water challenges; reducing the time it takes to build infrastructure projects by making common sense, bi-partisan reforms to our environmental laws; funding the development of the life-saving Earthquake Early Warning System; and, much more.



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**California 49th
Rep. Mike Levin
(D)**

Congressman Mike Levin represents California's 49th Congressional District, which includes North County San Diego and South Orange County.

Throughout his career, Levin has been a passionate leader on environmental protection, clean energy, and combating climate change. After graduating from Stanford University and Duke University School of Law, Levin worked as an attorney focused on energy and environmental issues. In addition to his legal work, Levin served on the board of the Center for Sustainable Energy, and co-founded Sustain OC, helping accelerate the transition toward more sustainable power generation and transportation alternatives.

As a member of Congress, some of Levin's top priorities are combating climate change, capitalizing on the economic benefits of a sustainable energy future, and providing solutions to move hazardous nuclear waste at the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station. He also was one of the first freshman members of Congress to endorse the Green New Deal.

As the grandson of a World War II veteran and the representative of Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, Levin will advocate for the active duty service members and veterans who have sacrificed for our freedom. He has spoken out about the importance of protecting the V.A. from privatization efforts, improving veterans health care and services, and expanding job opportunities for those who have served.

Levin has also championed efforts to expand access to affordable health care, lower the cost of higher education, preserve Social Security and Medicare, prevent gun violence, enact comprehensive immigration reform, and protect a woman's right to choose. He is a member of the Congressional



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Progressive Caucus, the #FutureForum, and, as the grandson of immigrants from Mexico, a member of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus.

Levin lives in San Juan Capistrano with his wife, Chrissy, and their two children, ages 7 and 5.



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**California 21st
Rep. TJ Cox (D)**

TJ Cox proudly represents California's 21st Congressional District. The District includes all of Kings County and portions of Fresno, Kern, and Tulare Counties. Elected in 2018, TJ was sworn into the 116th Congress on January 3, 2019.

A native of California, TJ is the son of Chinese and Filipino immigrants. His father, a professor of chemical engineering, inspired TJ to pursue a career in engineering. TJ's mother, an early trailblazer in the fight for equality and a survivor of the Japanese occupation of the Philippines, served as one of the first equal employment opportunity officers in Nevada.

A licensed engineer, TJ spent his early career working in construction and mining in the United States and around the world. After moving to the Central Valley two decades ago, TJ recognized the need for higher-wage jobs and started the Central Valley NMTC Fund, a certified community development entity that uses the federal New Markets Tax Credit program to bring jobs and opportunity to the Valley. To date, Central Valley NMTC Fund has created nearly 1500 jobs and built health clinics, job training facilities, a community multi-use sports complex and community learning centers throughout the Central Valley. They also helped fund the North Fork Bioenergy Plant, a 21st century power plant to bring renewable, clean power to California.

In addition to his work with the Central Valley NMTC Fund, TJ is the owner of two nut-processing businesses. TJ understands firsthand the importance of the agricultural industry as a driving force in California's economy.

TJ holds a B.S. in chemical engineering from the University of Nevada, Reno and an MBA from Southern Methodist University. He is married to Kathleen Murphy, MD, a pediatric



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intensive care physician at Valley Children's Hospital. They are the proud parents of four children.



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**California 4th
Rep. Tom McClintock
(R)**

Tom McClintock represents the people of California's historic gold country and Sierra Nevada in a district that stretches from Lake Tahoe, through Yosemite Valley and on to Kings Canyon.

Often described as "the gold standard" for fiscal conservatism in Congress, the National Taxpayers Union rated him the best vote for taxpayers in the House in 2014 and 2015. Citizens Against Government Waste recently named him as one of only two perfect votes in the House fighting wasteful government spending.

McClintock is a previous member of the House Budget Committee and has proposed major fiscal reforms to curb unauthorized appropriations, control mandatory spending, balance the budget and protect the nation's credit. He is a senior member of the House Natural Resources Committee where he serves on the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands, which he chaired from 2015 to 2018, and on the Subcommittee on Water, Oceans and Wildlife, which he chaired from 2011 to 2015. The Congressman is a member of the House Judiciary Committee, where he serves on the Subcommittee on Immigration and Citizenship and also serves on the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security.

Prior to his election to Congress, McClintock served 22 years in the California legislature, where he became one of its most recognized conservative leaders. He twice received the Republican nomination for State Controller, narrowly missing election in 2002 by 23/100ths of one percent. He ran as the conservative standard bearer for Governor in California's historic recall election in 2003.



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Tom McClintock and his wife, Lori, married in 1987 and have two children.



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**California 48th
Rep. Harley Rouda
(D)**

Harley Rouda was elected to Congress in 2018 after a historic campaign in Orange County, California. It was the very first political campaign of his life.

As a successful businessman, husband, father and patriot, Harley ran for elected office to make politics and policymaking work again for families in Orange County and across the nation.

As a Freshman member in Congress, Harley is dedicated to working with Democrats and Republicans on bipartisan legislation that makes a difference in people's lives -- legislation that makes his community, and his country, healthier, safer, more sustainable and more prosperous in the 21st Century.

Harley believes that by working together, by embracing patriotic purpose, and by espousing common sense and values, our nation can tackle the critical challenges of addressing climate change, of rebuilding a crumbling infrastructure, of confronting homelessness and protecting Social Security and Medicare.

Harley believes that we can make health care and prescription drugs available and affordable for all; we can make a world class college education attainable for every young person; we can forge an economy that gives everyone their chance to share in the American Dream.

The values of hard work and honesty drive Harley as he pursues this crucial and principled work in Congress. Harley learned these values in his career as a leader dedicated to growing businesses and driven to creating and supporting thousands of jobs.



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Community service has also been a core part of Harley's adult life. He has spent decades fighting homelessness and domestic violence; working with Human Rights Watch; supporting education for the underserved and underrepresented, as well as supporting access to higher education; saving military jobs; and working with civic organizations to drive economic development.

Harley's dedication to serving his community and his country has reached its highest expression with his election to the People's House.

Harley is a frequent guest on Fox, CNN, MSNBC, and other news outlets who welcome his commonsense approach to solving issues. He holds an MBA from The Ohio State University, and a J.D. from Capital University Law School.

Harley lives in Laguna Beach, California and is married to award-winning author, Kaira Sturdivant Rouda. They have four children who constantly inspire them.



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**California 10th
Rep. Josh Harder
(D)**

Josh Harder is in Congress to fight for the Central Valley. Josh proudly represents California's 10th Congressional District, located in California's Central Valley covering Stanislaus County and parts of San Joaquin County.

Josh's family has been in the Central Valley for generations, since his great-great grandfather joined a wagon train in search of gold and stopped just short to start a peach farm in Manteca. He's witnessed how the community is consistently left behind. He came to Congress to advocate for lower health care costs, good paying jobs, and innovative solutions to bring more water to families and farmers.

As a member of the House Agriculture Committee, Josh focuses on ensuring the Central Valley's vibrant agricultural community thrives. The Central Valley grows a third of the United States' food supply, half the fruit and nuts in the nation, and hosts some of the most productive farming in the world. That is why Josh prioritizes not only serving our farmers and producers, but also is dedicated to finding solutions to better manage our water resources and help our communities better prepare for droughts. In fact, his SAVE Water Resources Act will make a meaningful investment and add nearly 2 million acre-feet of water storage to grow and secure the Central Valley's water supply.

Josh also serves as a member of the Education and Labor Committee where he works to prepare our families for the jobs and economy of the 21st Century. On this Committee, Josh fights for Career and Technical Education programs so we all have a path to the middle class.

Growing up in Turlock, Josh worked as a paper boy at the Turlock Journal, attended Modesto High School, and earned



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scholarships from the local Rotary Club and the American Legion to attend Stanford University.

Josh started his career in the private sector where he focused on creating jobs and growing businesses. This took him to Kenya and Uganda where he helped small farmers access funding. After receiving a public policy and business degree from Harvard, he taught business at Modesto Junior College before entering public service.

Josh lives in Turlock with his wife Pam and a rotating cast of foster dogs – let him know if you are looking to adopt!



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David Ross
Director,
Assistant Administrator
for the Office of Water,
EPA

Dave Ross is the Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Dave has more than 20 years of experience working on water issues in both state government and the private sector. Prior to joining EPA in January 2018, Mr. Ross worked as the Director of the Environmental Protection Unit at the Wisconsin Department of Justice. Mr. Ross has also worked in the Wyoming Attorney General's Office representing the Water Quality Division of the Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality and as a partner in the land use and natural resources practice at an international law firm in Washington, D.C. Earlier in his career, he worked as an environmental consultant focusing on wastewater reclamation and reuse strategies.



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Peter Colohan
Executive Director,
Internet of Water

Peter Colohan is the Executive Director of the Internet of Water, a project based at Duke University's Nicholas Institute for Environmental Policy Solutions.

Peter comes to the IoW after nearly a decade of Federal service with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). At NOAA, Peter was a key advocate for the development of the National Water Model and the creation of the NOAA Water Initiative. He also served as a Federal Coordinating Lead Author for the Water Chapter of the Fourth National Climate Assessment, published in November 2018. Peter was an enthusiastic participant in the 2017 Aspen Dialogue Series on Water Data, co-led by the Nicholas Institute, which led to the creation of the Internet of Water.

From 2012-2014, Peter served as the Assistant Director for Environmental Information within the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy under President Barack Obama, on assignment from NOAA, where he worked closely with all Federal agencies responsible for climate, water and environmental science and technology. Prior to his federal service, Peter advised NOAA as a consultant on the development of the Group on Earth Observations (GEO), an intergovernmental body dedicated to the global exchange of environmental data and information. He served as that body's Executive Officer from 2003 to 2005.



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Jim Hubbard
Natural Resources and
the Environment
Undersecretary,
USDA

Jim Hubbard was sworn into office as Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment at the U.S. Department of Agriculture, September 6, 2018. In this role, he oversees the work of the USDA Forest Service.

In 2016 he retired from the U.S. Forest Service as Deputy Chief for State and Private Forestry, with responsibility for Fire and Aviation Management, National Fire Plan, Cooperative Forestry Programs, Forest Health Protection, Conservation Education, Urban and Community Forestry, and the Office of Tribal Relations.

Between November 2004 and October 2005, Hubbard served as the Director of the Office of Wildland Fire Coordination with the Department of the Interior. In this position he had oversight for the implementation of the National Fire Plan and activities of the five land managing bureaus for forest fire prevention, mitigation, and partnerships with communities, tribes, and stakeholders.

Hubbard was a member of the Colorado Forest Service for over 34 years before coming to Federal Service in 2004. He served as Colorado State Forester from 1984-2004. Jim was a leader in the National Association of State Foresters (NASF) and Chaired the Council of Western State Foresters. He provided national leadership in the NASF through his many committee assignments, including the Chairman of the Legislative Committee. Jim served as Liaison to the Western Governor's Association during the development of the implementation strategy for the National Fire Plan.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Forest Management from Colorado State University and is an Honor Alum of the College of Natural Resources.



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Jim grew up in Neodesha, rural Kansas where he enjoyed being in the woods, exploring new territory, and working the land. He and his wife Cindy have three grown daughters.



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Shelby Hagenauer
Deputy Commissioner,
Bureau of Reclamation

Shelby Hagenauer is Deputy Commissioner for the Bureau of Reclamation, where she represents the Commissioner and the bureau's interests to facilitate priorities, engage with Congress and stakeholders, and manage our water resources in an environmentally and economically sound manner.

She has 20 years of experience working in and with the federal government through positions on Capitol Hill and the private sector. Her policy experience ranges from work on natural resource, agriculture and California water policy to financial services and defense issues.

Hagenauer spent more than a decade serving on the staffs of current House Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-CA-23) and former House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Thomas. She served as lead water policy staff for both members, working extensively on behalf of congressional districts from the Central Valley of California. Additionally, she was Leader McCarthy's primary advisor for farm bill reauthorization activities when he served on the House Agriculture Committee. In the private sector, Hagenauer continued working with natural resource clients as part of the Public Policy Practice Group at Nossaman LLP.

Hagenauer earned her Bachelor of Arts degree from the College of William and Mary in Virginia. After growing up on and near military bases around the country, she considers California her home.