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## MEMORANDUM

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To: Code 2A, All Staff

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From: Tom Ta, EHSD Facilities Manager

Subject: Cora Young

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It is my pleasure to welcome Cora Young, EHSD's Safety Coordinator. Cora graduated from University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Washington with a major in Politics and Government and International Political Economy.

For 5 years, Cora worked as District Veterans Liaison and Senior Field Representative for Congressman Mike Thompson. Cora was actively involved with PG&E's Public Safety Power Shutoffs (PSPS) and the devastation caused by wildfires. Cora's area of responsibility covered the counties of Lake, Napa, Sonoma, Solano and Contra Costa, where she worked on public safety communication, coordination and evaluation. During the mass evacuations of those counties during fire season, Cora could be found performing those duties while volunteering at the large animal evacuation center in Solano County, leading the equine and bovine care teams. These devastating fire seasons led to the implementation of PG&E's PSPS's in which Cora played a similar role with various other staff members from all levels of government, as just one aspect of the greater region's wildfire risk suppression plan.

Cora's experience working with federal, state and local government will prove to be an asset as safety coordinator. In addition, her ability to coordinate large scale events will be invaluable during a disaster. Please join me in welcoming Cora Young to EHSD.