

Greetings Assemblywoman Irene Bustamente Adams,

I understand that you are the current Chair of the Sunset Review Subcommittee regarding the Nevada State Board of Landscape Architects (NSBLA). This is great news that you are located here in the Las Vegas area! I would love to be able to have a conversation with you in person or over the phone before the next scheduled meeting on Wednesday 3/21 at 8:30 a.m. Due to parental responsibilities, I was unable to attend the Review on 2/21/2018. My deepest regrets.

A little introduction about myself and why I am reaching out to you today:

I am the current President of the Nevada Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects. I am a Nevada state licensed Landscape Architect #944. I have my undergrad in Landscape Architecture and Environmental Studies from the University of Nevada at Las Vegas (RISD). I have my master's degree in Landscape Architecture from the Rhode Island School of Design. I have worked since in the profession since I was in school at UNLV starting around 2000. I grew up in this region since I was a young girl. My father managed the National Fish Hatchery at Willow Beach where the Black Canyon and Colorado River area was my personal playground. Locationally, this is the Arizona side of the Hoover Dam. I absolutely love this region's natural beauty, so much so I have dedicated my whole career fostering my knowledge base and professional experience to be able to guide clients in making good decisions about their future development projects.

In my opinion, landscape architects help enhance and protect this beauty in so many different ways with the types of projects we oversee. Personally, for one example, I was part of a team that oversaw the first set of Landscape and Aesthetic Corridor Plans for all the Nevada Department of Transportation roadways across the state. This type of long-term planning enhances not only the natural beauty of our state but secures the public's safety and welfare for generations to come.

The Nevada State Board of Landscape Architects is so very important to maintaining the quality vision for the future of this state and the continuation of our profession. I have made so many personal sacrifices to become a licensed landscape architect. It requires discipline, time and effort. Every licensed landscape architect in this state has a similar story to share.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope to hear from you soon.

Kind regards,

Laura B. Miller, PLA
NVASLA President 2017-2018

"I lower my ego in the presence of you so together we can search for knowledge and truth..." --
Namaste