

Scott Houston

Immediate Past President West Basin Municipal Water District Board of Directors Division IV Director



Scott Houston is an elected member of the Board of Directors of West Basin Municipal Water District. First elected in 2014, Houston represents the Division IV cities of Culver City, El Segundo, Malibu, West Hollywood and a portion of the city of Hawthorne, and unincorporated Los Angeles County areas of Del Aire, Marina del Rev. Topanga and Wiseburn, Houston is President of the Board. Chair of West Basin's Finance and Administration Committee, and Member of its Public Information and Education Committee and Ethics Committee. Houston previously served as president in 2019.

As a special district, West Basin is a wholesale water agency that serves nearly one million people in 17 cities and unincorporated

areas in Los Angeles County. The District provides imported drinking water, recycled water, and conservation and education programs to its service area.

Houston has been a local and regional leader for nearly two decades. In addition to his service at West Basin, he serves as an appointee of Supervisor Holly J. Mitchell to the Los Angeles County Commission for Older Adults representing the Second District. Houston is a member of the BizFed board of directors and co-chair of BizFed's Water Committee. He is also a member of the board of trustees of the Southern California Water Coalition (SCWC) where he is co-chair of SCWC's Water Energy Task Force.

Houston previously served as an appointee of Supervisor Janice Hahn to the Consumer Affairs Advisory Commission of the County of Los Angeles, as well as the County's Economic Development Advisory Committee. He also served a four-year term on the City of El Segundo's Public Works Committee and was a host and reporter for El Segundo TV covering local issues and the business community.

As a policymaker, Houston has spoken at domestic and international conferences about the challenges facing our global water supplies and the future of our water security in the midst of climate change. In addition, he has authored articles on topics that include leadership in California water governance; water safety in the midst of the novel coronavirus pandemic; and the increased public acceptance of recycled water to meet future water supply needs.

Houston's professional background includes management experience in communications and manufacturing. He holds a bachelor's degree in Business Administration from Michigan Technological University and studied broadcast journalism at UCLA.